COMMITTEE REPORT

MR. PRESIDENT:

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The Senate Committee on Rules and Legislative Procedure, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 268, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

Delete the title and insert the following:

2	A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning
3	elections and to make an appropriation.
4	Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:
5	SECTION 1. IC 2-5-19-19 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
6	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 19. The committee
7	shall do the following:
8	(1) Advise and assist the Bureau of the Census in the preparation
9	and organization of decennial census data for use by the general
10	assembly in reapportioning the following:
11	(A) The house of representatives of the general assembly.
12	(B) The senate of the general assembly.
13	(C) The United States House of Representatives.
14	(2) Work with the Bureau of the Census in defining the
15	boundaries of census blocks in Indiana.
16	(3) Coordinate Indiana's efforts to obtain an accurate population
17	count in each decennial census.
18	(4) Work with other state and federal agencies to assist in the
19	local review program conducted in Indiana.
20	(5) Work with the code revision commission to prepare legislation
21	for introduction in the regular session of the general assembly that
22	meets during the year of the effective date of the decennial census
23	under IC 1-1-3.5 to propose amendments to Indiana law to reflect
24	the population information obtained as a result of the decennial
25	census.
26	(6) Study costs and other relevant aspects of acquisition by the

1 state of a geographic information system. 2 (7) Make recommendations concerning changes or amendments 3 to IC 3 (the elections code) to the general assembly, including legislation for the implementation and administration of the 4 5 Help America Vote Act of 2002 (42 U.S.C. 15301 through 6 15545). 7 SECTION 2. IC 3-5-2-26.2 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE 8 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 26.2. "HAVA" refers to the Help America 9 Vote Act of 2002 (42 U.S.C. 15301 through 15545). 10 SECTION 3. IC 3-5-2-53 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS 11 12 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 53. "Voting system" means the 13 14 (1) Before January 1, 2006, a combination of mechanical, 15 electromechanical, or electronic equipment that is used to cast and count votes. The term includes the software and firmware 16 required to program and to control the equipment. Equipment that 17 is not an integral part of a voting system but that can be used as 18 19 an adjunct to the system is considered to be a component of the 20 system. 21 (2) After December 31, 2005, as provided in 42 U.S.C. 15481: total combination 22 (A) of mechanical, electromechanical, or electronic equipment (including the 23 24 software, firmware, and documentation required to 25 program, control, and support that equipment) that is used: 26 27 (i) to define ballots; (ii) to cast and count votes; 28 29 (iii) to report or display election results; and 30 (iv) to maintain and produce any audit trail information; 31 and 32 (B) the practices and associated documentation used: (i) to identify system components and versions of those 33 34 components: 35 (ii) to test the system during its development and 36 maintenance; (iii) to maintain records of system errors and defects; 37 38 (iv) to determine specific system changes to be made to 39 a system after the initial qualification of the system; and 40 (v) to make available any materials to the voter (such as 41 notices, instructions, forms, or paper ballots). SECTION 4. IC 3-5-4-7, AS AMENDED BY P.L.122-2000, 42 SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE 43 44 UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 7. Except as otherwise provided in this title, a reference to a federal statute or regulation in this title is a reference 45 to the statute or regulation as in effect January 1, 2000. 2003. 46 SECTION 5. IC 3-5-8-2, AS ADDED BY P.L.126-2002, SECTION 47 11, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 48 49 2003]: Sec. 2. (a) The statement required by section 1 of this chapter

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must contain the following:

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(1) A statement of the qualifications that an individual must meet to vote in Indiana, including qualifications relating to registration.

- (2) A statement describing the circumstances that permit a voter who has moved from the precinct where the voter is registered to return to that precinct to vote.
- (3) A statement that an individual who meets the qualifications and circumstances listed in subdivisions (1) and (2) may vote in the election.
- (4) A statement describing how a voter who is challenged at the polls may be permitted to vote.
- (5) The date of the election and the hours during which the polls will be open, as required by 42 U.S.C. 15482.
- (6) Instructions on how to vote, including how to cast a vote and how to cast a provisional ballot, as required by 42 U.S.C. 15482.
- (7) Instructions for mail-in registrants and first time voters under IC 3-7-33-4.5 and 42 U.S.C. 15483, as required under 42 U.S.C. 15482.
- (8) General information on voting rights under applicable federal and state laws, including the right of an individual to cast a provisional ballot and instructions on how to contact the appropriate officials if these rights are alleged to have been violated, as required under 42 U.S.C. 15482.
- (9) General information on federal and state laws regarding prohibitions on acts of fraud and misrepresentation, as required under 42 U.S.C. 15482.
- (10) A statement informing the voter what assistance is available to assist the voter at the polls.
- (6) (11) A statement informing the voter what circumstances will spoil the voter's ballot and the procedures available for the voter to request a new ballot.
- (7) (12) A statement describing which voters will be permitted to vote at the closing of the polls.
- (8) (13) Other information that the commission considers important for a voter to know.
- (b) The voter's bill of rights is not required to contain the information described in subsection (a)(5), (a)(6), (a)(7), (a)(8), and (a)(9) before January 1, 2004.

SECTION 6. IC 3-5-8-3, AS ADDED BY P.L.126-2002, SECTION 11, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 3. (a) As required by 42 U.S.C. 15483, and after December 31, 2003, the precinct election board shall post the voter's bill of rights in a public place in each polling place on election day.

(b) The commission may require a copy of the voter's bill of rights to be distributed with voter registration materials or other materials that are given to voters.

SECTION 7. IC 3-6-3.7 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]:

Chapter 3.7. The Secretary of State

Sec. 1. The secretary of state is the chief state election official of the state. The secretary of state shall perform all ministerial duties related to the administration of elections by the state, with the assistance of the election division under IC 3-6-4.2-2.

- Sec. 2. In addition to performing the duties related to elections specified in this title, the secretary of state shall do the following:
 - (1) Work with the federal Election Assistance Commission to encourage students enrolled at institutions of higher education (including community colleges) to assist state and local governments in the administration of elections by serving as nonpartisan poll workers or assistants.
 - (2) Consult with the federal Election Assistance Commission in the development of materials, seminars, and advertising targeted at students to implement the Help America Vote College Program conducted by the Election Assistance Commission under 42 U.S.C. 15521.
 - (3) Consult with the Help America Vote Foundation established under 36 U.S.C. 1526 in developing programs to encourage secondary school students (including students educated in the home) to participate in the election process in a nonpartisan manner as poll workers or assistants to local election officials in precinct polling places.
 - (4) Consult and coordinate with (and provide administrative support to) the co-directors of the election division in the development and implementation of the state plan under HAVA (42 U.S.C. 15401 through 15406).
 - (5) Perform all duties required to be performed by the state or the chief state election official under HAVA.
- Sec. 3. The secretary of state may develop programs to encourage Indiana secondary school students and students in institutions of higher education in Indiana to assist state and local governments in the administration of elections.

SECTION 8. IC 3-6-4.2-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 2. (a) The secretary of state shall perform all ministerial duties related to the administration of elections by the state.

(b) The election division shall assist the commission and the secretary of state in the administration of this title.

SECTION 9. IC 3-6-4.2-2.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: **Sec. 2.5.** The election division shall assist the secretary of state in the implementation of HAVA.

SECTION 10. IC 3-6-4.2-12 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 12. The election division shall do the following:

- (1) Prepare and distribute paper ballots for the election or retention of persons to federal and state offices and for public questions in compliance with this title.
- (2) Maintain complete and uniform descriptions and maps of all

precincts in Indiana. (3) Promptly update the information required by subdivision (2) after each precinct establishment order is filed with the commission under IC 3-11-1.5. (4) Issue media watcher cards under IC 3-6-10-6. (5) Prepare and transfer to the department of state revenue voter registration affidavits for inclusion in state adjusted gross income tax booklets under IC 6-8.1-3-19. (6) After December 31, 2003, serve in accordance with 42 U.S.C. 1973ff-1(b) as the office in Indiana responsible for providing information regarding voter registration procedures and absentee ballot procedures to absent uniformed services voters and overseas voters.

- (7) As required by 42 U.S.C. 1973ff-1(c), submit a report to the federal Election Assistance Commission not later than ninety (90) days after each general election setting forth the combined number of absentee ballots:
 - (A) transmitted to absent uniformed services voters and overseas voters for the election; and
 - (B) returned by absent uniformed services voters and overseas voters and cast in the election.
- (8) Implement the state plan in accordance with the requirements of HAVA (42 U.S.C. 15401 through 15406) and this title, and appoint members of the committee established under 42 U.S.C. 15405.
- (9) Submit reports required under 42 U.S.C. 15408 to the federal Election Assistance Commission concerning the use of federal funds under Title II, Subtitle D, Part I of HAVA.

SECTION 11. IC 3-6-4.2-12.1 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 12.1. (a) This section applies to the development, implementation, and amendment of the state plan under HAVA (42 U.S.C. 15401 through 15406).

- (b) An individual appointed by the co-directors to serve on the committee established to develop the state plan to implement HAVA under 42 U.S.C. 15405 is entitled to receive the compensation or reimbursement provided under subsection (d) or (e).
 - (c) For purposes of subsection (d), an individual who holds:
 - (1) a state office is considered an employee of the state; or
 - (2) an office of a political subdivision is considered an employee of the political subdivision.
- (d) Each member of the committee who is not a state employee or an employee of a political subdivision is entitled to receive both of the following:
 - (1) The minimum salary per diem provided by IC 4-10-11-2.1(b).
 - (2) Reimbursement for travel expenses and other expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties, as provided in the state travel policies and procedures

established by the Indiana department of administration and approved by the budget agency.

- (e) Each member of the committee who is a state employee or an employee of a political subdivision is entitled to reimbursement for travel expenses and other expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties, as provided in the state travel policies and procedures established by the Indiana department of administration and approved by the budget agency.
- (f) The committee's expenses, including the payment of per diem and reimbursements under this section, shall be paid from the Section 101 account of the election administration assistance fund established under IC 3-11-6.5.

SECTION 12. IC 3-6-4.2-12.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 12.5. (a) As authorized under 42 U.S.C. 15421, the secretary of state shall apply to the Secretary of Health and Human Services for payments under the HAVA (42 U.S.C. 15421 through 15425) to do the following:

- (1) Make polling places (including the path of travel, entrances, exits, and voting areas of each polling place) more accessible to individuals with disabilities, including the blind and visually impaired, in a manner that provides the same opportunity for access and participation (including privacy and independence) as other voters.
- (2) Provide individuals with disabilities and other individuals described in subdivision (1) with information about the accessibility of polling places, including outreach programs to inform the individuals about the availability of accessible polling places and training election officials, poll workers, and election volunteers on how best to promote the access and participation of individuals with disabilities in elections.
- (b) If the secretary of state receives payments from the Secretary of Health and Human Services under 42 U.S.C. 15421 through 15425, the election division shall expend the money as described in the application submitted under 42 U.S.C. 15423.
- (c) Money received by the secretary of state under this section is continuously appropriated for the purposes described in subsection (a).

SECTION 13. IC 3-6-4.2-14, AS AMENDED BY P.L.26-2000, SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 14. (a) Each year in which a general or municipal election is held, the election division shall call a meeting of all the members of the county election boards and the boards of registration to instruct them as to their duties under this title and federal law (including HAVA and NVRA). The election division may, but is not required to, call a meeting under this section during a year in which a general or a municipal election is not held.

- (b) Each circuit court clerk shall attend a meeting called by the election division under this section.
 - (c) The co-directors of the election division shall set the time and

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place of the instructional meeting. In years in which a primary election is held, the election division:

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- (1) may conduct the meeting before the first day of the year; and
- (2) shall conduct the meeting before primary election day.

The instructional meeting may not last for more than two (2) days.

- (d) Each member of a county election board or board of registration and an individual who has been elected or selected to serve as circuit court clerk, but has not yet begun serving in that office is entitled to receive all of the following:
 - (1) A per diem of twenty-four dollars (\$24) for attending the instructional meeting called by the election division under this section.
 - (2) A mileage allowance at the state rate for the distance necessarily traveled in going and returning from the place of the instructional meeting called by the election division under this section
 - (3) Reimbursement for the payment of the instructional meeting registration fee from the county general fund without appropriation.
 - (4) An allowance for lodging for each night preceding conference attendance equal to the lodging allowance provided to state employees in travel status.

SECTION 14. IC 3-6-4.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]:

Chapter 4.5. Administrative Complaints Concerning Uniform and Nondiscriminatory Election Technology and Administrative Requirements Under Title III of the Help America Vote Act of 2002

- Sec. 1. This chapter applies after December 31, 2003.
- Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "Title III" refers to Title III of HAVA (42 U.S.C. 15481 through 15485).
- Sec. 3. As required by 42 U.S.C. 15511, this chapter establishes the state based administrative complaint procedures to remedy grievances concerning uniform and nondiscriminatory election technology and administrative requirements under Title III.
- Sec. 4. The remedies provided under this chapter are supplemental to any other remedies provided to an aggrieved party under this title.
- Sec. 5. As required by 42 U.S.C. 15512, the procedures prescribed by this chapter must be uniform and nondiscriminatory.
- Sec. 6. As provided by 42 U.S.C. 15512, a person who believes there is a violation of any provision of Title III, including a violation that has occurred, is occurring, or is about to occur, may file a complaint with the election division.
- Sec. 7. As required by 42 U.S.C. 15512, a complaint filed under this chapter must be written, signed, and sworn to before an individual authorized to administer an oath under IC 33-16-4.
- Sec. 8. The complaint filed under section 7 of this chapter must

state the following:

- (1) The name and mailing address of the person alleged to be committing the violation of Title III described in the complaint.
- (2) Whether the person filing the complaint has filed a complaint concerning the violation with a county election board under IC 3-6-5.1.
- (3) The nature of the injury suffered (or about to be suffered) by the person filing the complaint.
- Sec. 9. The election division shall promptly provide a copy of the complaint by first class mail to the members of the commission and the persons identified in the complaint.
- Sec. 10. A person entitled to file a complaint under this chapter may file a complaint with the county election board where the violation allegedly occurred under IC 3-6-5.1. If a person filed a complaint under IC 3-6-5.1, the election division shall not begin enforcement procedures under this chapter regarding the complaint until the person filing the complaint files a complaint with the election division under this chapter.
- Sec. 11. This section applies if the complaint alleges that either co-director of the election division has committed the violation. The aggrieved person shall file the complaint with the chair of the commission. The chair of the commission shall perform the duties otherwise performed by the election division concerning a complaint.
- Sec. 12. As permitted under 42 U.S.C. 15512, the election division (or commission) may consolidate complaints filed under this chapter.
- Sec. 13. The election division shall determine whether a complaint filed under this chapter describes a violation of Title III if the facts set forth in the complaint are assumed to be true. If the election division determines that:
 - (1) even if the facts set forth in the complaint are assumed to be true, there is no violation of Title III; or
- (2) the person has not complied with section 7 of this chapter; the election division shall dismiss the complaint and publish the order dismissing the matter in the Indiana Register.
- Sec. 14. If the election division dismisses a complaint under section 13 of this chapter, the election division shall provide a copy of this determination by certified mail to:
 - (1) the person who filed the notice;
 - (2) the person alleged to have committed the violation;
 - (3) the members of the commission; and
 - (4) the attorney general.
- Sec. 15. If the election division determines that the complaint alleges a violation of Title III if the facts alleged in the complaint are assumed to be true and that the person has complied with section 7 of this chapter, the election division shall conduct an investigation under IC 3-6-4.2.
- Sec. 16. The election division, upon completing the investigation,

shall submit the results of the investigation to the commission, which shall then issue a written report. The election division shall provide a copy of the report by certified mail to:

- (1) the person who filed the complaint;
- (2) the person alleged to have committed the violation;
- (3) the members of the commission; and
- (4) the attorney general.

Sec. 17. The report described in section 16 of this chapter must:

- (1) indicate the date when the complaint alleging the violation was received by the election division;
- (2) contain findings of fact regarding the alleged violation and state whether a violation of Title III has occurred, or appeared to be likely to occur when the complaint was filed;
- (3) state what steps, if any, the person alleged to have committed the violation has taken to correct the violation or to prevent a reoccurrence of the violation;
- (4) suggest any additional measures that could be taken to correct a violation;
- (5) indicate the date when a violation was corrected, or is expected to be corrected; and
- (6) provide any additional information or recommendations useful in resolving this complaint.

Sec. 18. As required by 42 U.S.C. 15512, at the request of the person filing a complaint, or at the request of a member of the commission, the commission shall conduct a hearing on the complaint and prepare a record of the hearing. A request for a hearing must be filed with the election division not later than noon seven (7) days after the report is mailed under section 16 of this chapter.

Sec. 19. After concluding the hearing, the commission shall:

- (1) affirm the report;
- (2) amend the report; or
- (3) refer the matter to the election division for further investigation and submission of a subsequent report to the commission.
- Sec. 20. As required by 42 U.S.C. 15512, if the commission determines that based on the evidence presented, there is no violation of any provision of Title III or that the person has not complied with section 7 of this chapter, the commission shall dismiss the complaint and publish the order dismissing the matter in the Indiana Register.
- Sec. 21. As authorized by 42 U.S.C. 15512, if the commission determines that there is a violation of any provision of Title III, the commission shall determine and provide the appropriate remedy if authorized by law to do so. If providing the remedy would require additional or amended Indiana legislation, the commission shall notify the census data advisory committee and provide recommendations regarding the form and content of this legislation.

Sec. 22. The secretary of state may file a civil action seeking

declaratory or injunctive relief to secure or implement a remedy determined by the commission to be appropriate under section 21 of this chapter.

- Sec. 23. The commission shall forward a written summary of any action taken by the commission under section 20 or 21 of this chapter by certified mail to:
 - (1) the person who filed the complaint;
 - (2) the person alleged to have committed the violation; and
 - (3) the attorney general.

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- Sec. 24. As required by 42 U.S.C. 15512, the commission shall make the final determination regarding the complaint not later than ninety (90) days after the date the complaint is filed. The person filing the complaint may file a written consent permitting the commission to take a longer period to make the final determination regarding the complaint.
- Sec. 25. As required by 42 U.S.C. 15512, if the commission fails to make the final determination regarding the complaint within the period applicable to the complaint under section 24 of this chapter, the complaint shall be resolved not later than sixty (60) days after the deadline applicable to the complaint under section 24 of this chapter.
- Sec. 26. A complaint described by section 25 of this chapter shall be resolved by referral to an arbitrator selected jointly by the commission and the person who filed the complaint.
- Sec. 27. As provided by 42 U.S.C. 15512, the record and other materials from any proceedings conducted by the commission shall be made available for use by the arbitrator.
- Sec. 28. The arbitrator shall file a report with the election division setting forth the resolution of the complaint. The report must specify the following:
 - (1) Whether a violation of Title III has occurred or was about to occur when the complaint was filed.
 - (2) The appropriate remedy to correct any violation.
 - (3) Whether providing the remedy would require additional or amended Indiana legislation or a civil action for declaratory or injunctive relief.
 - (4) Any other information and recommendations necessary to fully provide any appropriate relief under this chapter.

SECTION 15. IC 3-6-5-17, AS AMENDED BY P.L.212-2001, SECTION 9, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 17. (a) Each county election board shall submit a report to the election division after each primary, special, municipal, and general election describing the activities of the board during the previous year. The board shall include the following in the report:

- (1) Information relating to the expenses of office maintenance and elections within the county or political subdivisions within the county.
- (2) A copy of the statement of the county election board containing the votes cast for each candidate and on each public question in each precinct at the last election preceding the

submission of the report.

(3) Any additional information relating to elections that the commission prescribes.

- (b) The report described in subsection (a) must be postmarked, or hand delivered, or transmitted to the election division using the computerized list under IC 3-7-26.3 not later than fourteen (14) days after each election.
- (c) The election division shall send a copy of each report to the office not later than ten (10) days after receiving the report.

SECTION 16. IC 3-6-5-17.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 17.5. (a) As required by 42 U.S.C. 1973ff-1(c), each county election board shall submit a report to the election division after each general election setting forth the combined number of absentee ballots:

- (1) transmitted by the county election board to absent uniformed services voters and overseas voters for the election; and
- (2) returned by absent uniformed services voters and overseas voters and cast in the election.
- (b) The report must be:
 - (1) postmarked or hand delivered to the election division not later than fourteen (14) days after the election; and
 - (2) in the form prescribed by the federal Election Assistance Commission under Section 703(b) of HAVA (42 U.S.C. 1973ff-1 (note)).

SECTION 17. IC 3-6-5-23 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 23. (a) A county election board may appoint and at its pleasure remove clerks, custodians, and other employees that are necessary in the execution of its powers. The county election board may determine the duties, rank, and salaries of its appointees.

(b) The county election board may employ students enrolled at institutions of higher education (including community colleges) to assist in the administration of elections by serving as nonpartisan assistants, in accordance with the requirements of the Help America Vote College Program conducted by the Election Assistance Commission under 42 U.S.C. 15521.

SECTION 18. IC 3-6-5.1 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]:

Chapter 5.1. County Procedures for Resolving Administrative Complaints Concerning Uniform and Nondiscriminatory Election Technology and Administrative Requirements Under Title III of the Help America Vote Act of 2002

- Sec. 1. This chapter applies after December 31, 2003.
- Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "Title III" refers to Title III of HAVA (42 U.S.C. 15481 through 15485).
- Sec. 3. This chapter establishes a county based administrative complaint procedure to supplement the state based administrative

complaint procedure under IC 3-6-4.5 to remedy grievances concerning uniform and nondiscriminatory election technology and administrative requirements under Title III. A person who files a complaint under this chapter retains the right to file a complaint with the election division under IC 3-6-4.5.

- Sec. 4. The remedies provided under this chapter are supplemental to any other remedies provided to an aggrieved party under this title.
- Sec. 5. The procedures prescribed by this chapter must be uniform and nondiscriminatory.
- Sec. 6. A person who believes there is a violation of any provision of Title III, including a violation that has occurred, is occurring, or is about to occur, may file a complaint with the circuit court clerk of the county where the violation occurred, is occurring, or is about to occur.
- Sec. 7. A complaint filed under this chapter must be written, signed, and sworn to before an individual authorized to administer an oath under IC 33-16-4.
- Sec. 8. The complaint filed under section 7 of this chapter must state the following:
 - (1) The name and mailing address of the person alleged to be committing the violation of Title III described in the complaint.
 - (2) Whether the person filing the complaint has filed a complaint concerning the violation with the election division under IC 3-6-4.5.
 - (3) The nature of the injury suffered (or about to be suffered) by the person filing the complaint.
- Sec. 9. The circuit court clerk shall promptly provide a copy of the complaint by first class mail to the members of the county election board and the persons identified in the complaint.
- Sec. 10. If the county election board is notified at any time that the person who filed a complaint under this chapter has filed a complaint with the election division under IC 3-6-4.5 regarding this matter, the county election board shall dismiss the proceeding under this chapter.
- Sec. 11. This section applies if the complaint alleges that the circuit court clerk has committed the violation. The aggrieved person shall file the complaint with the chair of the county election board. The chair shall perform the duties otherwise performed by the circuit court clerk concerning a complaint.
- Sec. 12. The county election board may consolidate complaints filed under this chapter.
- Sec. 13. The circuit court clerk shall determine whether a complaint filed under this chapter describes a violation of Title III if the facts set forth in the complaint are assumed to be true. The circuit court clerk may consult with the election division in making this determination. If the circuit court clerk determines that:
 - (1) even if the facts set forth in the complaint are assumed to be true, there is no violation of Title III; or

1 (2) that the person has not complied with section 7 of this 2 3 the circuit court clerk shall dismiss the complaint and publish 4 notice of the order dismissing the matter in accordance with 5 IC 5-3-1. Sec. 14. If the circuit court clerk dismisses a complaint under 6 7 section 13 of this chapter, the circuit court clerk shall provide a 8 copy of this determination by certified mail to: 9 (1) the person who filed the notice; 10 (2) the person alleged to have committed the violation; (3) the members of the county election board; and 11 (4) the election division. 12 13 Sec. 15. If the circuit court clerk determines that the complaint 14 alleges a violation of Title III if the facts alleged in the complaint 15 are assumed to be true and that the person has complied with section 7 of this chapter, the circuit court clerk shall conduct an 16 investigation under IC 3-6-5. 17 Sec. 16. The circuit court clerk, upon completing the 18 19 investigation, shall submit the results of the investigation to the county election board, which shall then issue a written report. The 20 circuit court clerk shall provide a copy of the report by certified 21 22 mail to: 23 (1) the person who filed the complaint; 24 (2) the person alleged to have committed the violation; 25 (3) the members of the county election board; and (4) the election division. 26 Sec. 17. The report described in section 16 of this chapter must: 27 28 (1) indicate the date when the complaint alleging the violation 29 was received by the county election board; 30 (2) contain findings of fact regarding the alleged violation and state whether a violation of Title III has occurred or appeared 31 to be likely to occur when the complaint was filed; 32 (3) state what steps, if any, the person alleged to have 33 committed the violation has taken to correct the violation or 34 35 to prevent a reoccurrence of the violation; (4) suggest any additional measures that could be taken to 36 correct a violation: 37 (5) indicate the date when a violation was corrected, or is 38 expected to be corrected; and 39 (6) provide any additional information or recommendations 40 useful in resolving this complaint. 41 42 Sec. 18. At the request of the person filing a complaint, or at the 43 request of a member of the county election board, the board shall 44 conduct a hearing on the complaint and prepare a record of the 45 hearing. This request must be filed not later than noon seven (7) days after the report was mailed under section 16 of this chapter. 46 47 Sec. 19. After concluding the hearing, the county election board 48 shall: 49 (1) affirm the report;

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(2) amend the report;

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- (3) refer the matter to the circuit court clerk for further investigation and submission of a subsequent report to the county election board; or
- (4) refer the matter to the election division.

- Sec. 20. If the county election board determines that based on the evidence presented, there is no violation of any provision of Title III or that the person has not complied with section 7 of this chapter, the county election board shall dismiss the complaint and publish notice of the order dismissing the matter in accordance with IC 5-3-1.
- Sec. 21. If the county election board determines that there is a violation of any provision of Title III, the county election board shall determine and provide the appropriate remedy if authorized by law to do so. If the county election board determines that it is not authorized by law to provide the appropriate remedy, the county election board shall dismiss the complaint.
- Sec. 22. The county election board shall forward a written summary of any action taken by the commission under section 20 or 21 of this chapter by certified mail to:
 - (1) the person who filed the complaint;
 - (2) the person alleged to have committed the violation; and
 - (3) the election division.
- SECTION 19. IC 3-6-6-13, AS AMENDED BY P.L.126-2002, SECTION 19, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 13. (a) A county election board shall fill a vacancy in a precinct election office before the hour set for the opening of the polls, upon the nomination of the appropriate county chairman.
- (b) This subsection applies to a precinct election office when, at noon, fourteen (14) days before election day, the appropriate county chairman has made no nomination for the office. The county election board, by unanimous vote of the entire membership of the board, may fill the office by appointing an individual who would be eligible to serve in the office if nominated by the county chairman.
- (c) If a vacancy is filled by the county election board under subsection (b), the board may, by unanimous vote of the entire membership of the board, fill the office by appointing a student:
 - (1) enrolled at an institution of higher education (including a community college); and
- (2) who is a registered voter of the county; to serve as a nonpartisan precinct election officer.

SECTION 20. IC 3-6-6-39, AS ADDED BY P.L.126-2002, SECTION 22, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 39. (a) The county election board by unanimous vote of the entire membership of the board may permit an individual who is not a voter to be a poll clerk or an election sheriff serve as any precinct election officer (other than inspector), or to assist a precinct election officer, if the individual satisfies all the following:

- (1) The individual is at least sixteen (16) years of age but not more than seventeen (17) years of age.
- (2) The individual is a citizen of the United States.

1	(3) The individual is a resident of the county.
2	(4) The individual has a cumulative grade point average
3	equivalent to not less than 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.
4	(5) The individual has the written approval of the principal of the
5	school the individual attends at the time of the appointment or, if
6	the student is educated in the home, the approval of the
7	individual responsible for the education of the student.
8	(6) The individual has the approval of the individual's parent or
9	legal guardian.
10	(7) The individual has satisfactorily completed any training
11	required by the county election board.
12	(8) The individual otherwise is eligible to serve as a precinct
13	election officer under this chapter.
14	(b) After January 1, 2004, an individual appointed to a precinct
15	election office or assistant under this section must serve in a
16	nonpartisan manner in accordance with the standards developed
17	by the Help America Vote Foundation under 36 U.S.C. 1526.
18	SECTION 21. IC 3-7-11-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
19	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 2. The NVRA official
20	shall do the following:
21	(1) Coordinate with the commission to oversee the
22	implementation and administration of NVRA by the state, county,
23	municipal, and nongovernmental offices designated as
24	registration sites under this article.
25	(2) Develop training programs to assist the offices described in
26	subdivision (1) in properly administering registration services.
27	(3) Protect the fundamental rights of voters.
28	(4) Consult with the federal Election Assistance Commission
29	under 42 U.S.C. 1973gg-7 to develop a federal mail registration
30	form.
31	(5) Comply with 42 U.S.C. 1973gg-4(b) by making federal and
32	state mail registration forms available for distribution through
33	governmental and private entities, with particular emphasis on
34	making the forms available for organized voter registration
35	programs.
36	(6) Comply with 42 U.S.C. 1973gg-6(g) by notifying a county
37	registration officer whenever the NVRA official receives
38	information from a United States attorney that:
39	(A) a person has been convicted of a felony in a district court
40	of the United States; or
41	(B) the conviction has been overturned.
42	(7) Receive notices from voter registration agencies in other states
43	indicating that a person has registered in that state and requests
44	that the person's registration in Indiana be canceled.
45	(8) Forward notices received under subdivision (7) to the
46	appropriate circuit court clerk or board of registration for
47	cancellation of the voter's registration as provided in 42 U.S.C.
48	1973gg-6(a)(3)(A).
49	(9) Assist the federal Election Assistance Commission under 42
50	U.S.C. 1973gg-7(a)(3) by preparing reports concerning the impact

of NVRA on election administration in Indiana.

(10) Recommend improvements to the Federal Election
Commission concerning federal and state procedures, forms, or

Commission concerning federal and state procedures, forms, or other matters affected by NVRA.

(11) Develop public awareness programs to assist voters in understanding the services available to them under NVRA.

SECTION 22. IC 3-7-11-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 6. If the NVRA official determines that the notice alleges a violation of NVRA or this article if the facts set forth in the notice are assumed to be true, the NVRA official shall conduct an investigation under IC 3-6-4. IC 3-6-4.2.

SECTION 23. IC 3-7-12-28 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 28. (a) In addition to the reports required for the statewide voter file, the county voter registration office shall file a report with the election division not later than noon January 31 of each year.

- (b) The report must include the following:
 - (1) A statement of the number of voters registered in each precinct of the county as of December 31 of the preceding year.
 - (2) Any revisions to the county NVRA implementation plan adopted during the preceding year.
 - (3) Other data prescribed by the division.
- (c) This section expires December 31, 2005.

SECTION 24. IC 3-7-12-28.1 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: **Sec. 28.1. (a) This section applies after December 31, 2005.**

- (b) In addition to the reports required for the statewide voter file, the county voter registration office shall file a report with the election division not later than noon January 31 of each year.
 - (c) The report must include the following:
 - (1) Any revisions to the county NVRA implementation plan adopted during the preceding year.
 - (2) Other data prescribed by the division.

SECTION 25. IC 3-7-12-38 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 38. After concluding the hearing, the county election board shall:

- (1) affirm the report;
- (2) amend the report;
- (3) refer the matter to the **circuit court** clerk for further investigation and submission of a subsequent report to the board; or
- (4) refer the matter to the NVRA official.

SECTION 26. IC 3-7-13-13, AS AMENDED BY P.L.126-2002, SECTION 31, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 13. (a) Except as provided in subsection subsections (b) and (c), when an individual registers to vote, the individual must provide the individual's driver's license number issued under IC 9-24-11 or the individual's identification card number issued under IC 9-24-16. as provided under 42 U.S.C. 15483.

- (b) If an individual does not have a driver's license issued under IC 9-24-11, or an identification card issued under IC 9-24-16, the individual must provide the last four (4) digits of the individual's Social Security number when the individual registers to vote, as provided under 42 U.S.C. 15843.
- (c) This subsection applies after December 31, 2005. As required under 42 U.S.C. 15483, if an individual does not have a Social Security number, the election division shall assign the individual a number to be associated with the individual's registration in the computerized list maintained under IC 3-7-26.3. If the individual has an identification card number issued under IC 9-24-16, the election division shall assign that number as the voter's number under this subsection. If the individual does not have an identification card number issued under IC 9-24-16, the election division shall assign a unique identifying number to the voter's registration record in the computerized list, as provided under 42 U.S.C. 15483.
- (d) The number provided by the individual under subsection (a) or (b), or the number assigned to the individual under subsection (c), is the individual's voter identification number.
- (d) (e) A voter's voter identification number may not be changed unless:
 - (1) the voter made an error when providing the number when registering to vote;
 - (2) the election division or a county voter registration office made an error when entering the number into the computerized list under IC 3-7-26.3;
 - (3) the voter obtains or provides a driver's license number under IC 9-24-11 or a Social Security number after the voter was assigned a number under subsection (c); or
 - (4) the voter ceases to have a driver's license number under IC 9-24-11 after the voter provided that number under subsection (a).
- (e) (f) If a voter transfers the voter's registration and the voter's voter identification number is not included in the voter's registration records, the voter registration officer of the county in which the voter's registration is to be transferred shall require the voter to provide the number required by subsection (a) or (b) before the voter's registration is transferred. If, after December 31, 2005, the voter does not have either of the numbers described in subsection (a) or (b), a voter identification number shall be assigned to the voter under subsection (c).

SECTION 27. IC 3-7-22-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 1. This chapter prescribes procedures for voter registration by mail as provided in 42 U.S.C. 1973gg-4 and after December 31, 2003, 42 U.S.C. 15483.

SECTION 28. IC 3-7-22-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 2. As provided in 42 U.S.C. 1973gg-4(a)(1) and after December 31, 2003, 42 U.S.C. 15483, a circuit court clerk or board of county voter registration office

shall accept and use the mail voter registration form prescribed by the federal Election **Assistance** Commission under 42 U.S.C. 1973gg-7(a)(2).

SECTION 29. IC 3-7-22-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 3. As provided in 42 U.S.C. 1973gg-4(a)(2) and after December 31, 2003, 42 U.S.C. 15483, a circuit court clerk or board of county voter registration office shall accept and use a mail voter registration form prescribed by the commission that complies with 42 U.S.C. 1973gg-7(b)(2), 42 U.S.C. 15483 after December 31, 2003, and this article.

SECTION 30. IC 3-7-22-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 4. (a) A mail registration form prescribed under section 3 of this chapter may only require information necessary to enable the circuit court clerk or board of county voter registration office to do the following:

- (1) Assess the eligibility of the applicant, including after December 31, 2003, the eligibility of the applicant under 42 U.S.C. 15483.
- (2) Administer the voter registration and election process.
- (b) The information required under subsection (a) may include the following:
 - (1) The signature of the applicant.

- (2) Data relating to previous registration by the applicant.
- (c) The form may not include any requirement for notarization or other formal authentication.

SECTION 31. IC 3-7-22-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 5. A mail registration form prescribed under section 3 of this chapter must meet the following requirements:

- (1) The form must include a statement that does the following:
 - (A) Sets forth each eligibility requirement for registration (including citizenship).
 - (B) Contains an attestation that the applicant meets each of the eligibility requirements.
 - (C) Requires the signature of the applicant, under penalty of perjury.
- (2) The form must include, in print that is identical to the print used in the attestation part of the application, information setting forth the penalties provided by law for submission of a false voter registration application.
- (3) After December 31, 2003, the question "Are you a citizen of the United States of America?" and boxes for the applicant to check to indicate whether the applicant is or is not a citizen of the United States.
- (4) After December 31, 2003, the question "Will you be 18 years of age on or before election day?" and boxes for the applicant to check to indicate whether or not the applicant will be eighteen (18) years of age on or before election day.
- (5) After December 31, 2003, a statement informing the individual that if the form is submitted by mail and the

individual is registering for the first time, the appropriate information required under 42 U.S.C. 15483 must be submitted with the mail-in registration form in order to avoid the additional identification requirements upon voting for the first time.

SECTION 32. IC 3-7-26-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.199-2001, SECTION 4, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 2. (a) The election division shall develop and maintain a statewide voter registration file.

(b) Subject to section 20 of this chapter, not later than July 1, 2004, the election division shall maintain the statewide voter registration file so that the file is accessible by the election division and county voter registration offices through a secure connection over the Internet.

SECTION 33. IC 3-7-26-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.199-2001, SECTION 5, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 3. (a) Each county voter registration office shall provide the voter registration information required under section 7 of this chapter to the election division.

- (b) The **county** voter registration office shall periodically update the voter registration information as provided in this chapter and in IC 3-7-38.1.
- (c) The election division shall format the statewide voter registration file required under section 2(b) of this chapter so that only the county voter registration office of a particular county is able to change data in the file for that particular county's voters.

SECTION 34. IC 3-7-26-8, AS AMENDED BY P.L.199-2001, SECTION 7, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 8. (a) Until a county has the capability to transmit the information over the Internet, as required under subsection (b), the information required by section 7 of this chapter shall be provided on magnetic media or other machine readable form to the election division.

- (b) Subject to section 20 of this chapter, not later than July 1, 2004, A county voter registration office that has the capacity to transmit the information over the Internet shall transmit the information required by section 7 of this chapter to the election division over the Internet, in a manner and using a method prescribed by the election division, through a secure connection to the statewide voter registration file.
- (c) The commission **election division** shall prescribe a format to ensure the standardization and readability of the data provided under subsection (a) or (b).

SECTION 35. IC 3-7-26-21 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: **Sec. 21. This chapter expires January 1, 2006.**

SECTION 36. IC 3-7-26.3 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]:

Chapter 26.3. Statewide Voter Registration List Sec. 1. This chapter applies after December 31, 2005.

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Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "computerized list" refers to the statewide voter registration list established under section 3 of this chapter.

- Sec. 3. As required under 42 U.S.C. 15483, and not later than January 1, 2006, the secretary of state shall implement, in a uniform and nondiscriminatory manner, a single, uniform, official, centralized, and interactive statewide voter registration list under this chapter.
- Sec. 4. As required under 42 U.S.C. 15483, the computerized list must:
 - (1) be defined, maintained, and administered at the state level;
 - (2) contain the name and registration information of every voter in Indiana; and
 - (3) assign a unique identifier to each voter in Indiana.
- Sec. 5. In accordance with 42 U.S.C. 15483, the computerized list serves as:
 - (1) the single system for storing and managing the official list of voters throughout Indiana; and
 - (2) the official voter registration list for the conduct of all elections in Indiana.
- Sec. 6. As required under 42 U.S.C. 15483, the computerized list must be coordinated with other agency data bases within Indiana.
- Sec. 7. As required under 42 U.S.C. 15483, each county voter registration office, the election division, and the secretary of state must be able to obtain immediate electronic access to the information contained in the computerized list.
- Sec. 8. The computerized list must be formatted so that only the county voter registration office of a county may change data in the file concerning the voters registered in that county.
- Sec. 9. As required under 42 U.S.C. 15483, a county voter registration office must electronically enter all voter registration information obtained by the county voter registration office into the computerized list on an expedited basis at the time the information is provided to the county voter registration office.
- Sec. 10. As required under 42 U.S.C. 15483, the secretary of state shall provide the support required for the county voter registration office to enter the information under section 8 of this chapter into the computerized list.
- Sec. 11. As required under 42 U.S.C. 15483, the county voter registration office shall perform list maintenance with respect to the computerized list on a regular basis. The list maintenance activity required under this section includes the removal of an individual from the list when required by this article and NVRA following:
 - (1) the death of the individual;
 - (2) the individual's confirmation that the individual now resides outside the county in which the individual is registered; or
 - (3) an inactive voter's failure to respond to a notice or otherwise act in accordance with 42 U.S.C. 1973gg-6 to

require the voter's registration to be reclassified as active within the period prescribed by NVRA.

Sec. 12. As required under 42 U.S.C. 15483, the election division shall coordinate the computerized list with the department of correction records concerning individuals disfranchised under IC 3-7-46.

- Sec. 13. As required under 42 U.S.C. 15483, the election division shall coordinate the computerized list with the state department of health concerning individuals identified as deceased under IC 3-7-45.
- Sec. 14. As required under 42 U.S.C. 15483, the computerized list maintenance performed under sections 11 through 13 of this chapter must ensure that:
 - (1) the name of each voter appears in the computerized list;
 - (2) only voters who are not eligible to vote are removed from the computerized list; and
 - (3) duplicate names of an individual voter are eliminated from the computerized list.
- Sec. 15. As required under 42 U.S.C. 15483, the election division and each county voter registration office shall provide adequate technological security measures to prevent unauthorized access to the computerized list.
- Sec. 16. As required under 42 U.S.C. 15483, the election division and each county voter registration office shall ensure that voter registration records are accurate and updated regularly.
- Sec. 17. As required under 42 U.S.C. 15483, the election division and each county voter registration office shall perform the list maintenance required under NVRA to ensure that inactive voters described in section 11(3) of this chapter and 42 U.S.C. 1973gg-6(d)(1)(B) are removed from the official list of eligible voters.
- Sec. 18. As required under 42 U.S.C. 15483, the secretary of state and the bureau of motor vehicles commission shall enter into an agreement to match information in the computerized list data base with information in the data base of the bureau of motor vehicles commission to enable the election division (acting on behalf of the secretary of state) and the commission to verify the accuracy of the information provided on voter registration applications.
- Sec. 19. (a) As required under 42 U.S.C. 15483, the bureau of motor vehicles commission shall enter into an agreement with the Commissioner of Social Security under 42 U.S.C. 405(r)(8)(A) to verify information set forth on voter registration applications.
- (b) The following information is subject to verification under this section:
 - (1) Whether the name (including the first name and any family forename or surname), date of birth (including month, day, and year), and Social Security number of an individual provided to the Commissioner of Social Security match the information contained in the Commissioner's records.

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1	(2) Whether the individual is shown in the records of the
2	Commissioner of Social Security as deceased.
3	Sec. 20. As required by 42 U.S.C. 15483, the agreement under
4	section 19 of this chapter must include:
5	(1) safeguards to assure the maintenance of the confidentiality
6	of any information disclosed to the bureau;
7	(2) procedures to permit the bureau to use the information to
8	maintain the bureau's records; and
9	(3) procedures to permit the election division to coordinate
10	the records of the computerized list established under this
11	chapter with the bureau's data base as provided by section 6
12	of this chapter.
13	Sec. 21. As provided by 42 U.S.C. 15483, the information
14	provided by the Commissioner of Social Security or by an
15	individual to the bureau of motor vehicles is confidential. The
16	information may only be used for the purposes described under 42
17	U.S.C. 15483 and sections 19 and 20 of this chapter.
18	Sec. 22. The computerized list must contain the following
19	information concerning each voter:
20	(1) Name.
21	(2) Date of birth.
22	(3) Gender.
23	(4) The physical address of the voter (in a city or town where
24	a street address is insufficient to provide delivery by the
25	United States Postal Service).
26	(5) The mailing address of the voter, as recognized by the
27	local United States Postal Service office.
28	(6) Precinct.
29	(7) Residence in any city or town, including city and town
30	council district (if the voter resides in a town that has not
31	abolished town council districts under IC 36-5-2).
32	(8) Township.
33	(9) State representative district.
34	(10) State senate district.
35	(11) Congressional district.
36	(12) Telephone number, if available.
37	(13) Date of registration.
38	(14) Voting history for the previous ten (10) year period if
39	available.
40	(15) Voter identification number.
41	(16) Any unique identifier for the voter established by a
42	county voter registration office before the establishment of
43	the statewide voter registration file under this chapter.
44	(17) Information concerning whether the voter signed a
45	petition submitted to the county voter registration office
46	under IC 3-8-2, IC 3-8-3, or IC 3-8-6.
47	(18) Information concerning whether a voter applied to cast
48	an absentee ballot in an election and whether the absentee
49	ballot was returned and cast.
50	Sec. 23. The computerized list must compile the physical address

and mailing address of a voter in separate data fields and generate the ZIP+4 Code designation for each address entered into the system if that designation is available from the United States Postal Service.

Sec. 24. The election division shall act under IC 5-14-3-3(b) to adopt a uniform nondiscriminatory policy regarding the duplication of a complete and undivided compilation of the information contained in the computerized list.

- Sec. 25. The election division may not provide any division of the compilation of the information in the computerized list except:
 - (1) as expressly provided in this chapter;

- (2) to perform voter list maintenance duties required by 42 U.S.C. 15483; or
- (3) to redact voter registration information declared confidential under a court order or IC 5-26.5-2.
- Sec. 26. Upon request, and not later than five (5) days after the request is filed with the election division, the election division shall provide a complete compilation of the information contained in the computerized list, including any format information or other information necessary to decode the data, to any of the following entities:
 - (1) The state committee of any major political party.
 - (2) The state organization of any bona fide political party that is not a major political party if the party has at least two (2) candidates on the ballot in the next election.
 - (3) The committee of an independent candidate for federal or state office if the candidate is on the ballot in the next general election.
 - (4) Any member of the media for publication in a news broadcast or newspaper.
 - (5) Each of the following:
 - (A) The speaker of the house of representatives.
 - (B) The minority leader of the house of representatives.
 - (C) The president pro tempore of the senate.
 - (D) The minority leader of the senate.
- Sec. 27. The election division shall promptly notify an entity described in section 26 of this chapter when the compilation requested by the entity is available.
- Sec. 28. (a) This section applies to a person not described in section 26 of this chapter.
- (b) After a person files a request with the election division for voter registration information compiled under this chapter, the election division shall provide a compilation of the information in the computerized list to the person, redacting the information described in subsection (c).
- (c) The election division shall not provide information under this section concerning any of the following information concerning a voter:
- (1) Date of birth.
- **(2) Gender.**

- (3) Telephone number.
- 2 (4) Voting history.

- (5) Any voter identification number or other unique field established to identify a voter.
- (6) The date of registration of the voter.
- (7) Whether a voter has signed a petition.
- (8) Whether a voter has cast an absentee ballot.
- Sec. 29. A person who files a request for a compilation of the information contained in the computerized list with the election division under section 26 or 28 of this chapter must execute an agreement with the election division on a form prescribed under IC 3-5-4-8.
- Sec. 30. The form described by section 29 of this chapter must state that the person receiving a compilation of information under this chapter may not:
 - (1) use the compilation to solicit merchandise, goods, services, or subscriptions; or
 - (2) sell, loan, give away, or otherwise deliver the information obtained by the request to any other person (as defined in IC 5-14-3-2);

for a purpose other than political activities or political fundraising activities.

- Sec. 31. The publication of information obtained under section 26 or 28 of this chapter in a news broadcast or newspaper is not prohibited by this chapter.
- Sec. 32. Notwithstanding IC 5-14-3-8, the election division shall charge each recipient of a compilation of information under this chapter a reasonable fee of not more than five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to recover the cost of compiling and maintaining the computerized list.
- Sec. 33. This chapter does not limit the ability of a county voter registration office to disclose voter registration to a person other than the election division or change the procedures to be followed by a county voter registration office in disclosing this information.
- Sec. 34. The computerized list must permit a county voter registration office to generate the following:
 - (1) Lists of voters organized alphabetically and by precinct of residence.
 - (2) Lists of voters (and other documents or reports containing voter registration information) in the form required under IC 3-7-28, IC 3-7-29, IC 3-7-35, IC 3-8-5, and 3-10-1, including poll lists containing an optically scanned image of the signature of the voter on the voter's affidavit of registration.
 - (3) A notice of disposition or acknowledgment of a voter registration application by a county voter registration office under IC 3-7-32 or IC 3-7-33.
 - (4) Information for preparation of a jury list in the form required under IC 3-7-35.
- **(5) Notices to other county voter registration offices that a**

voter of that county may be deceased or disfranchised, for a final determination by that county in accordance with section 8 of this chapter.

- (6) Notices to other county voter registration offices that a voter of the other county may have registered to vote in the county and requested cancellation of the voter's former registration in the other county, for a final determination by that county in accordance with section 8 of this chapter.
- (7) Notices to be sent to disfranchised voters under IC 3-7-46.
- (8) Certificates of error issued under IC 3-7-48.
- (9) Reports to the election division required by IC 3-7-12-28 and other statutes for the administration of NVRA.
- (10) Notices to be sent to voters whose congressional district, legislative district, municipal legislative district, or precinct designation has changed.
- (11) Notices to be sent to voters regarding the location of the polling place for the voter's precinct.
- (12) A report of the information provided to the election division regarding voter registration under IC 9-24-2.5-11, IC 12-14-1.5-11, IC 12-14-25-10, IC 12-15-1.5-8, and IC 16-35-1.6.
- Sec. 35. The computerized list must permit a county voter registration office to prevent the entry and retention of duplicate names of voters on the list in accordance with section 14 of this chapter by doing the following:
 - (1) Processing updated or duplicated information on an application filed by an individual already listed as a voter of the county without creating a duplicate record on the list for that voter.
 - (2) Viewing records in the list concerning voters in other counties to identify potential duplicate names that would be added by the processing of an applicant, subject to section 8 of this chapter.
 - (3) Submitting information to the election division regarding potential duplicate names identified under subdivision (2) to assist with list maintenance.
- Sec. 36. The computerized list must permit a circuit court clerk to transmit reports or statements to the election division under IC 3-6-5 or IC 3-12-5.
- Sec. 37. There is annually appropriated to the election division from the state general fund an amount sufficient for the election division to carry out the purposes of this chapter.
- SECTION 37. IC 3-7-27-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 6. (a) As required under 42 U.S.C. 1973gg-6(i), a county voter registration office shall retain records concerning the implementation of programs and activities conducted for the purpose of ensuring the accuracy and currency of the voter registration list. These records include the following:
- (1) Lists of names and addresses of voters who were sent notices

under the voter list maintenance program.

- (2) Information concerning whether a voter has responded to a notice described by subdivision (1) as of the date the inspection of the record is made.
- (b) The county voter registration office shall retain the records described by this section for at least two (2) years. Except for records concerning declinations to register to vote or that indicate the identity of a voter registration agency where a person registered, the county voter registration office shall make the records available for public inspection and photocopying at a reasonable cost as provided in IC 5-14-3.
- (c) This subsection applies to a county that maintains voter registration information on a computerized system. In accordance with IC 5-14-3-3(g) and notwithstanding any other statute, a county voter registration office shall, with regard to voter registration information concerning voters of the county on a computerized system, act in accordance with a nondiscriminatory uniform policy adopted by the county election board. The policy must either permit a person to duplicate or obtain a duplicate copy of a computer tape, computer disc, microfilm, or other similar record system that contains this voter registration information or not permit the person to duplicate or obtain a duplicate copy of the information.
- (d) A person who requests computerized voter registration information under subsection (c) must provide a written statement that the person will not:
 - (1) use the information to solicit merchandise, goods, services, or subscriptions; or
 - (2) sell, loan, give away, or otherwise deliver the information obtained by the request to any other person;

for a purpose other than political activities or political fundraising activities.

(e) Publication of information obtained under subsection (d) in a news broadcast or newspaper is not prohibited.

SECTION 38. IC 3-7-27-20 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 20. (a) This section applies:

- (1) before January 1, 2006; and
- (2) to a county that maintains voter registration information in a computerized system.
- (b) The county voter registration office shall prepare an entry in the computerized system that accurately reflects the information set forth in the original affidavit of registration and, if the applicant was required to provide documentation under IC 3-7-33-4.5, whether the required documentation has been provided.
- (c) If the documentation required under IC 3-7-33-4.5 has been provided, the entry must include the following:
 - (1) The date the documentation was filed with the county voter registration office.
 - (2) Whether the documentation was filed with the county voter registration office:

- (A) by a precinct election board after the person voted in person at the polling place;
- (B) by the county election board after the person applied to cast an absentee ballot; or
- (C) by the applicant as part of the original filing of the application to register to vote, or in a subsequent filing received by the county voter registration office.
- (3) A brief description of the type of documentation provided. The election division shall provide each county voter registration office with a suggested coding system for identifying the types of documentation.
- (d) However, the county voter registration office is only required to enter a voter's voting history for the previous ten (10) years if that history is available.
- (c) (e) The county voter registration office is not required to prepare a duplicate paper copy of a registration properly entered into the computerized system.
- (d) (f) The computerized system must be able to generate lists of voters organized alphabetically and by precinct of residence.

SECTION 39. IC 3-7-27-20.1 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: **Sec. 20.1. (a) This section applies after December 31, 2005.**

- (b) The county voter registration office shall prepare an entry in the computerized system that accurately reflects the information set forth in the original affidavit of registration. However, the county voter registration office is required to enter a voter's voting history for the previous ten (10) years only if that history is available.
- (c) The county voter registration office is not required to prepare a duplicate paper copy of a registration properly entered into the computerized system.

SECTION 40. IC 3-7-27-21 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 21. (a) This section applies:

(1) before January 1, 2006; and

- (2) to a county whose voter registration records are maintained on a computerized system described by section 20 of this chapter.
- (b) The circuit court clerk or board of county voter registration office is not required to maintain duplicate paper copies of original registrations if the county maintains a regularly updated copy of the computerized record at a secure location outside of the county voter registration office of the circuit court clerk or board of registration that would prevent loss of registration information if the records in the county voter registration office of the circuit court clerk or board of registration were not available.
- (c) Notwithstanding IC 5-15, a circuit court clerk or board of county voter registration office may dispose of duplicate paper copies of original registrations made before January 1, 1995, by destroying the duplicate paper copies.

SECTION 41. IC 3-7-27-21.1 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: **Sec. 21.1. (a) This section applies after December 31, 2005.**

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- (b) The county voter registration office is not required to maintain duplicate paper copies of original registrations.
- (c) Notwithstanding IC 5-15, a county voter registration office may dispose of duplicate paper copies of original registrations made before January 1, 2006, by destroying the duplicate paper copies.

SECTION 42. IC 3-7-27-22 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 22. (a) This section applies **before January 1, 2006**, to a county whose voter registration records are maintained on a computerized system described by section 20 of this chapter. **After December 31, 2005, this section applies to all counties.**

- (b) **Before January 1, 2006,** the circuit court clerk or board of county voter registration **office** may maintain the original affidavits of registration in a secure location outside of the **county voter** registration office of the circuit court clerk or board of registration if:
 - (1) the county maintains a regularly updated copy of the computerized record as described in section 21(b) of this chapter; and
 - (2) the original affidavits are not located in the same location as the updated copy of the computerized record.

After December 31, 2005, the county voter registration office may maintain the original affidavits of registration in a secure location outside the county voter registration office.

SECTION 43. IC 3-7-27-23, AS ADDED BY P.L.176-1999, SECTION 24, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 23. (a) This section applies to a county that maintains voter registration information in a computerized system.

- (b) If a county voter registration office enters into a contract to acquire voter registration computer software provided by a person other than a person who:
 - (1) had previously furnished the voter registration computer software to the county; or
 - (2) is currently providing technical assistance regarding the computer software to the county voter registration office;

the county voter registration office shall notify the person who furnished the software or is providing support for the software of this determination. This notice shall be sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the most recent address provided to the county by this person.

(c) Not later than sixty (60) days after the county voter registration office mails the notice described in subsection (b), the person receiving the notice shall provide the person who has entered into a contract with the county voter registration office with information concerning the specifications for the computer software program furnished to the county or supported by that person. A person is not required to provide

proprietary information to another person under this subsection but is required to act in good faith to permit the county voter registration office to install the voter registration software supplied by another person.

(d) This section expires January 1, 2006.

 SECTION 44. IC 3-7-29-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 1. (a) Not later than ten (10) days before the election at which the registration record is to be used, the circuit court clerk or board of registration county voter registration office shall prepare certified copies of the list of registered voters for each precinct in the county.

- (b) The lists must contain the **following information concerning each registered voter:**
 - (1) The full name of the voter.
 - (2) The address and of the voter.
 - (3) The assigned county identification number. of each registered voter.
 - (4) After December 31, 2003, whether the voter is required to provide additional identification before voting either in person or by absentee ballot.
- (c) The names shall be arranged in the same order as they are in the registration record of the precinct.

SECTION 45. IC 3-7-29-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 3. (a) This subsection applies before January 1, 2006. When the inspector of a precinct procures the ballots and other election supplies for an election, the inspector shall also procure from the circuit court clerk or board of registration: county voter registration office:

- (1) in a county whose registration records are not maintained on a computerized system described by IC 3-7-27-20, the duplicate copy of the registration record; or
- (2) in a county with a computerized registration system, the certified copies of the registration record of the precinct with the information required under section 1 of this chapter;

and other necessary registration supplies.

(b) This subsection applies after December 31, 2005. When the inspector of a precinct procures the ballots and other election supplies for an election, the inspector shall also procure from the county voter registration office the certified copies of the registration record of the precinct with the information required under section 1 of this chapter and other necessary registration supplies.

SECTION 46. IC 3-7-29-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 4. (a) This subsection applies before January 1, 2006. The circuit court clerk or board of registration county voter registration office in a county with a computerized registration system may also provide the inspector of each precinct in the county with a certified photocopy of the signature on the affidavit of registration of each voter of the precinct for the comparison of signatures under IC 3-10-1-24.5 or IC 3-11-8-25.

(b) This subsection applies after December 31, 2005. The county voter registration office may also provide the inspector of each precinct in the county with a certified photocopy of the signature on the affidavit of registration of each voter of the precinct for the comparison of signatures under IC 3-10-1-24.5 or IC 3-11-8-25.

SECTION 47. IC 3-7-30-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 1. As required under 42 U.S.C. 1973gg-6(a)(6), the records of **the statewide voter registration system or** a circuit court clerk or board of registration county voter registration office indicating the identity of the voter registration agency through which an individual registered is **are** confidential.

SECTION 48. IC 3-7-30-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 5. Certain uses of information from the statewide voter file are prohibited:

- (1) before January 1, 2006, under IC 3-7-26;
- (2) after December 31, 2005, under IC 3-7-26.3.

SECTION 49. IC 3-7-30-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 6. Certain voter registration information in the statewide voter registration file maintained by the election division:

- (1) under IC 3-7-26 before January 1, 2006; and
- (2) under IC 3-7-26.3 after December 31, 2005; is confidential.

SECTION 50. IC 3-7-33-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 2. (a) This section applies before January 1, 2006.

(b) A circuit court clerk or board of registration county voter registration office shall compare a registration form that has been received by the clerk or board county voter registration office with the registration record and determine if the individual has already registered according to the records of the clerk or board. county voter registration office.

SECTION 51. IC 3-7-33-2.1 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: **Sec. 2.1. (a) This section applies after December 31, 2005.**

- (b) A county voter registration office shall compare a registration form that has been received by the county voter registration office with the statewide voter registration file and determine if the individual has already registered in the county according to the statewide voter registration file.
- (c) If the county voter registration office determines that an applicant for registration may be the same individual as a voter listed in the statewide voter registration file as a voter of another county, the county voter registration office shall notify:
 - (1) the election division; and
- (2) the county voter registration office of the county where the address set forth on the previous voter registration is located; regarding the potential duplicate voter registration. After providing the notification under this subsection, the county voter registration office shall process the application in accordance with

this chapter.

- (d) The notice provided by a county voter registration office under subsection (c) must specify whether the applicant:
 - (1) has authorized the individual's registration at a specific address in the county to be canceled in accordance with IC 3-7-43; or
 - (2) has not authorized cancellation of registration at a specific address in the county, but appears to be the same individual who has subsequently filed an application for registration at an address in another county.
- (e) If the notice indicates that the approval of the applicant's registration may result in the addition of a duplicate name to the statewide voter registration list, the election division shall add a notation to the previous voter registration on the voter registration list for purposes of conducting voter list maintenance in accordance with this article and NVRA.

SECTION 52. IC 3-7-33-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 4. (a) This section applies to a voter registration application submitted on a registration by mail form under IC 3-7-31. **IC** 3-7-22.

- (b) Except as provided in subsection (c), and as provided in 42 U.S.C. 1973gg-6(a)(1), an eligible applicant whose application is postmarked not later than twenty-nine (29) days before the election shall be registered to vote in the election.
- (c) If a postmark on a registration by mail form is missing or illegible, an eligible applicant shall be registered to vote in the election if the form is received by the circuit court clerk or board of registration county voter registration office not later than twenty-four (24) days before the election.

SECTION 53. IC 3-7-33-4.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 4.5. (a) This section applies after December 31, 2003.

- (b) Except as provided in subsection (c), this section applies to an individual who:
 - (1) submits an application to register to vote by mail under IC 3-7-22; and
 - (2) has not previously voted in:
 - (A) a general election in Indiana (or a special election for federal office in Indiana); or
 - (B) a general election (or a special election for federal office) in the county where the individual has submitted an application under this chapter if a statewide voter registration system is not operational in accordance with the requirements of IC 3-7-26 and 42 U.S.C. 15483 on the date the application is received by the county voter registration office.
- (c) This section does not apply to an individual who complies with the requirements in any of the following:
 - (1) The individual submits an application to register to vote by mail under this chapter and includes with that mailing a

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1 copy of: 2 (A) a current and valid photo identification; or 3 (B) a current utility bill, bank statement, government 4 check, paycheck, or government document that shows the 5 name and address of the voter. (2) The individual submits an application to register to vote 6 7 by mail under this chapter that includes the individual's: 8 (A) Indiana driver's license number; or 9 (B) last four (4) digits of the individual's Social Security 10 number; and the county voter registration office or election division 11 matches the information submitted by the applicant with an 12 existing Indiana identification record bearing the same 13 14 number, name, and date of birth set forth in the voter registration application. 15 (3) The individual is an absent uniformed services voter or 16 17 overseas voter. (4) The individual is entitled to vote other than in person 18 19 under the federal Voting Accessibility for the Elderly and 20 Handicapped Act (42 U.S.C. 1973ee-1(b)(2)(B)(ii)) due to a determination by the election division that a permanent or 21 22 temporarily accessible polling place cannot be provided for 23 the individual. 24 (5) The individual is entitled to vote other than in person 25 under any other federal law. (d) When a county voter registration office receives a voter 26 registration application submitted on a registration by mail form, 27 28 the office shall determine whether the applicant is subject to the 29 requirements to provide additional documentation under this 30 section and 42 U.S.C. 15483. (e) As required by 42 U.S.C. 15483, a county voter registration 31 office shall administer the requirements of this section in a uniform 32 33 and nondiscriminatory manner. 34 (f) If the county voter registration office determines that the 35 applicant: (1) is not required to submit additional documentation under 36 37 this section; or (2) has provided the documentation required under this 38 39 section: 40 the county voter registration office shall process the application in accordance with section 5 of this chapter. 41 (g) If the county voter registration office determines that the 42 43 applicant is required to submit additional documentation under 44 this section and 42 U.S.C. 15483, the office shall process the 45 application under section 5 of this chapter and, if the applicant is otherwise eligible to vote, add the information concerning this 46 47 documentation to the voter's computerized registration entry under IC 3-7-27-20(c). 48

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(h) The county voter registration office shall remove the

notation described in subsection (g) after the voter votes in an

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election for a federal office.

 SECTION 54. IC 3-7-33-5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.122-2000, SECTION 3, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 5. (a) When the circuit court clerk or board of registration county voter registration office receives an application for a new registration or an application with information that revises or adds information to the applicant's current voter registration record, the clerk or board county voter registration office shall determine if the applicant appears to be eligible to register to vote based on the information in the application.

- (b) As required under 42 U.S.C. 1973gg-6(a)(2), the circuit court clerk or board of registration county voter registration office shall send a notice to each person from whom the clerk or board county voter registration office receives a voter registration application. The clerk or board county voter registration office shall send a notice to the applicant at the mailing address provided in the application.
- (c) The notice required by subsection (b) must set forth the following:
 - (1) A statement that the application has been received.
 - (2) The disposition of the application by the clerk or board. **county voter registration office.**
 - (3) If the clerk or board county voter registration office determines that the applicant appears to be eligible, the notice must state the following:
 - (A) The applicant is registered to vote under the residence address when the applicant receives the notice. An applicant is presumed to have received the notice unless the notice is returned by the United States Postal Service due to an unknown or insufficient address.
 - (B) The name of the precinct in which the voter is registered.
 - (C) The address of the polling place for the precinct in which the voter is registered.
 - (D) The voter's voter identification number.
 - (4) In accordance with 42 U.S.C. 1973ff-1(d), if the elerk or board county voter registration office has denied the application, the notice must include the reasons for the denial.
- (d) The notice required by subsection (b) may include a voter registration card.
- (e) If the notice is returned by the United States Postal Service due to an unknown or insufficient address, the clerk or board **county voter registration office** shall determine that the applicant is ineligible and deny the application.

SECTION 55. IC 3-7-34-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 1. This chapter applies when a circuit court clerk or board of county voter registration office receives a registration form that is not properly completed under:

- (1) IC 3-7 or after December 31, 2003, 42 U.S.C. 15483; or
- (2) is filed in an incorrect county.

SECTION 56. IC 3-7-34-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 2. (a) This section

applies when a circuit court clerk or board of county voter registration office receives a registration form that is not fully and properly completed so that the clerk or board can determine if the applicant is eligible to register under this article or after December 31, 2003, fails to answer either of the questions set forth in IC 3-7-22-5(3) or IC 3-7-22-5(4).

- (b) **As required by 42 U.S.C. 15483,** the clerk or board county voter registration office shall promptly make:
 - (1) one (1) effort to contact the voter by mail if possible; and
 - (2) one (1) effort to contact the voter by telephone if a telephone number is listed.

SECTION 57. IC 3-7-34-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 3. (a) This subsection applies after December 31, 2003, to a registration application that is incomplete as a result of the failure of the applicant to answer either of the questions set forth in IC 3-7-22-5(3) or IC 3-7-22-5(4). If the county voter registration office obtains a written statement from the applicant:

- (1) answering either or both of the questions that were not answered on the original application; and
- (2) not later than the twenty-ninth day before the date of the next general election following the date the application was filed;

the county voter registration office shall process the form under this article.

(b) This subsection applies to a registration application that is incomplete for a reason other than the failure of the applicant to answer either of the questions set forth in IC 3-7-22-5(3) or IC 3-7-22-5(4). If the circuit court clerk or board of county voter registration office obtains information under section 2 of this chapter not later than thirty (30) days after the date the notice is mailed under section 2(b)(1) of this chapter that permits the clerk or board county voter registration office to complete the registration form, the clerk or board county voter registration office shall process the form under this article.

SECTION 58. IC 3-7-34-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 5. (a) If a registration form contains all of the information required to be supplied by the voter, but does not include the information required to be supplied by the bureau of motor vehicles commission or a voter registration agency, the circuit court clerk or board of county voter registration office shall promptly make one (1) effort to contact the officer, commission, or agency to obtain the information.

(b) This subsection applies after December 31, 2005. If the information is not obtained from the officer, commission, or agency under subsection (a) not later than seven (7) days after the county voter registration office provides the notice, the county voter registration office shall notify the NVRA official. The NVRA official shall contact the officer, commission, or agency to request that the information be provided to the county voter registration

office or that the officer, commission, or agency file a statement with the county voter registration office indicating why the information is not available.

SECTION 59. IC 3-7-34-12 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 12. (a) This subsection applies before January 1, 2006. If the registration form is not compatible with the county's voter registration system, the circuit court clerk or board of county voter registration office may reproduce the form for the county's system and retain the original form to document the registration.

(b) This subsection applies after December 31, 2005. If the registration form is not compatible with the county's voter registration files of original voter registration affidavits, the county voter registration office may reproduce the form for the county's system and retain the original form to document the registration.

SECTION 60. IC 3-7-35-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.38-1999, SECTION 8, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 2. (a) **This section applies before January 1, 2006**

- **(b)** The county voter registration office shall ensure that the software program used to generate the poll list for the precinct in which the voter resides indicates whether the name of the voter should be included on a poll list.
- (b) (c) The software program must generate a poll list that does not include the name of a voter unless the voter will be:
 - (1) at least eighteen (18) years of age when the election is conducted; or
 - (2) eligible to vote in the election under this article.

SECTION 61. IC 3-7-35-2.1 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: **Sec. 2.1.** (a) **This section applies after December 31, 2005.**

- (b) The county voter registration office shall generate a poll list for the precinct where the voter resides that does not include the name of a voter unless the voter will be:
 - (1) at least eighteen (18) years of age when the election is conducted; or
 - (2) eligible to vote in the election under this article.

SECTION 62. IC 3-7-35-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.38-1999, SECTION 9, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 3. (a) **This section applies before January 1, 2006.**

- (b) The county voter registration office shall ensure that the software program used to generate a jury list indicates whether the name of the voter should be used for jury service.
- (b) (c) The software program must generate a jury list that does not include the name of a voter unless the voter will be at least eighteen (18) years of age when the jury is empaneled.

SECTION 63. IC 3-7-35-2.1 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: **Sec. 2.1. (a) This section applies after December 31, 2005.**

(b) The county voter registration office shall generate information to be used in the compilation of a jury list that does not include the name of a voter unless the voter will be at least eighteen (18) years of age when the jury is empaneled.

SECTION 64. IC 3-7-38.1-11 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: **Sec. 11. This chapter expires January 1, 2006.**

SECTION 65. IC 3-7-38.2-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 2. A voter list maintenance program conducted under this chapter or **before January 1, 2006,** IC 3-7-38.1 must be:

- (1) uniform, nondiscriminatory, and in compliance with the Voting Rights Act of 1965 (42 U.S.C. 1973);
- (2) not result in the removal of the name of a person from the official list of votes solely due to the person's failure to vote; and
- (3) completed not later than ninety (90) days before a primary, general, or municipal election.

SECTION 66. IC 3-7-38.2-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 3. As provided under 42 U.S.C. 1973gg-6(c)(2)(B)(i), this chapter and **before January 1, 2006,** IC 3-7-38.1 do not prevent the removal of a voter's name from the voter registration record during the final ninety (90) day period before a primary, general, or municipal election due to any of the following in accordance with this article:

- (1) The written request of the voter.
- (2) Disenfranchisement due to criminal conviction and incarceration.
- (3) The death of the voter.

SECTION 67. IC 3-7-38.2-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 4. As provided under 42 U.S.C. 1973gg-6(c)(2)(B)(ii), this chapter and **before January 1, 2006,** IC 3-7-38.1 do not prevent the correction of voter registration records under this article.

SECTION 68. IC 3-7-38.2-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 5. To assist in performing voter list maintenance under this chapter and **before January 1, 2006**, to supplement the duplicate voter registration elimination program under IC 3-7-38.1, the NVRA official may submit the names of all registered voters in Indiana to the United States Postal Service National Change of Address Service. The submission under this chapter shall be compiled from the county voter registration information submitted to the commission election division under:

- (1) IC 3-7-26 before January 1, 2006; and
- (2) IC 3-7-26.3 after December 31, 2005.

SECTION 69. IC 3-7-40-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 2. (a) The circuit court clerk or board of registration shall add the "ZIP Code + Four" designation to the address of each voter in the voter registration record.

(b) This section expires January 1, 2006.

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 SECTION 70. IC 3-7-40-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 4. (a) **This subsection applies before January 1, 2006.** One (1) time each calendar year the NVRA official may submit to the United States Postal Service a list of the names and addresses of voters with rural route addresses.

(b) This subsection applies after December 31, 2005. The NVRA official may submit to the United States Postal Service a list of the names and addresses of voters with rural route addresses.

SECTION 71. IC 3-7-40-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 6. (a) **This subsection applies before January 1, 2006.** When notified by the NVRA official of a conversion from rural route addresses to numbered addresses under this chapter, the circuit court clerk or board of county voter registration office shall, as soon as practicable, do the following:

- (1) Draw a red line through the rural route address appearing on the affidavit or form of registration and write the numbered address that replaces the rural route address on the affidavit or form.
- (2) Make an appropriate entry in each computerized record for the precinct.
- (b) This subsection applies after December 31, 2005. When notified by the NVRA official of a conversion from rural route addresses to numbered addresses under this chapter, the county voter registration office shall, as soon as practicable amend:
 - (1) the original affidavit filed by the voter to indicate the numbered address that replaces the rural route address on the affidavit; and
 - (2) the entry for the voter in the computerized list under IC 3-7-26.3.

SECTION 72. IC 3-7-40-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 7. (a) **This section applies before January 1, 2006.**

- **(b)** This section applies if the circuit court clerk or board of county voter registration **office** is notified by:
 - (1) the United States Postal Service; or
- (2) a local public official or plan commission under this chapter; that the mailing address, street name, or residence number of a voter's residence has been changed by the United States Postal Service, local public official, or plan commission.
- (b) (c) The clerk or board county voter registration office shall, as soon as practicable after the change becomes effective:
 - (1) draw a red line through the mailing address, street name, or residence number appearing on the affidavit or form of registration and write the changed mailing address, street name, or residence number on the affidavit or form; and
 - (2) make an appropriate entry in each computerized record for the precinct.

SECTION 73. IC 3-7-40-7.1 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: **Sec. 7.1.** (a) **This section applies after January 1, 2006.**

- (b) This section applies if the county voter registration office is notified by:
 - (1) the United States Postal Service; or
 - (2) a local public official or plan commission under this

that the mailing address, street name, or residence number of a voter's residence has been changed by the United States Postal Service, local public official, or plan commission.

- (c) The county voter registration office shall, as soon as practicable after the change becomes effective, amend:
 - (1) the original affidavit filed by the voter to indicate the changed mailing address, street name, or residence number on the affidavit; and
 - (2) the entry for the voter in the computerized list under IC 3-7-26.3.

SECTION 74. IC 3-7-42-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 4. (a) This subsection applies before January 1, 2006. At the time of transfer, the elerk or board county voter registration office shall draw a red line through the name or number of the precinct appearing on the affidavit or form of registration and shall write the name or number of the precinct to which the voter has been transferred and make an appropriate entry in the computerized record for the precinct.

- (b) This subsection applies after December 31, 2005. At the time of transfer, the county voter registration office shall amend:
 - (1) the original affidavit filed by the voter to indicate the changed mailing address, street name, or residence number on the affidavit; and
 - (2) the entry for the voter in the computerized list under IC 3-7-26.3.

SECTION 75. IC 3-7-43-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 3. (a) A request from a voter under this chapter may be made when the voter registers in another county in Indiana or in a jurisdiction outside of Indiana. A registration form under this section must be signed by the voter or, if not signed by the voter, after the NVRA official notifies the circuit court clerk or board of county voter registration office that the jurisdiction where the voter has registered can provide a signed copy of the voter's request if desired by the clerk or board. has provided the election division with written notice of the voter's registration in the jurisdiction and request for cancellation of previous registrations.

(b) The election division shall forward a copy of the notice to the appropriate county voter registration office.

SECTION 76. IC 3-7-43-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 6. (a) This section applies to a voter who requests a cancellation of voter registration under IC 3-7-39-6.

(b) This subsection applies before January 1, 2006. The circuit court clerk or board of county voter registration office of the county

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 in which a voter registers shall send the authorization of cancellation to the circuit court clerk or board of registration county voter registration office of the county or counties of previous residence within fifteen (15) days after receipt of the authorization. However, all authorizations shall be sent to the clerk or board county voter registration office not later than the fifteenth day before the date on which an election will be held.

(c) This subsection applies after December 31, 2005. The county voter registration office of the county in which a voter registers shall send the authorization of cancellation to the county voter registration office on an expedited basis, as required by IC 3-7-26.3.

SECTION 77. IC 3-7-43-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 7. (a) This subsection applies before January 1, 2006. The circuit court clerk or board of county voter registration office shall remove the affidavit of the voter from the registration record of the county and shall cancel the affidavit of registration by writing the word "canceled" and the date of the cancellation across the face of the affidavit and entering the cancellation in any computerized record.

(b) This subsection applies after December 31, 2005. The county voter registration office shall cancel the affidavit of registration and enter the date and other information concerning the cancellation in the computerized list under IC 3-7-26.3.

SECTION 78. IC 3-7-43-8 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 8. (a) **This subsection applies before January 1, 2006.** If either of the addresses given by a person under IC 3-7-39 is outside Indiana, the county voter registration office shall, not later than fifteen (15) days after receipt, send the authorization of cancellation to the election division.

- (b) This section applies after December 31, 2005. If either of the addresses given by a person under IC 3-7-39 is outside Indiana, the county voter registration office shall send the authorization of cancellation to the election division on an expedited basis.
- (c) The election division shall promptly send the authorization to the voter registration office of the political subdivision that has jurisdiction over the address.

SECTION 79. IC 3-7-45-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.199-2001, SECTION 12, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 2. (a) Not later than:

- (1) January 31;
- (2) April 30;
- (3) July 31; and
- (4) October 31;

of each year the state department of health shall submit a report to the election division electronically in a format prescribed by the commission.

(b) The state department of health shall report to the election division, by county, the names, ages, and known residence addresses of all persons who:

1	(1) died within Indiana but outside of the county during the
2	preceding three (3) months; and
3	(2) maintained a residence address within the county during the
4	two (2) years preceding the date of death.
5	(c) Each county health officer and municipal health officer shall
6	report to the state department of health the names, ages, and known
7	voting addresses in the county of all persons:
8	(1) who have died within the jurisdiction of the officer; or
9	(2) for whom burial permits have been issued by the officer;
10	during the previous three (3) months. The state department of health
11	shall report this information to the election division.
12	(d) The state department of health shall report to the election
13	division, by county, the names, ages, and known residence addresses
14	of all persons:
15	(1) who died outside Indiana during the preceding three (3)
16	months;
17	(2) who maintained a residence address within the county during
18	the two (2) years preceding the date of death; and
19	(3) whose name was supplied to the state department of health
20	under an agreement made under section 5 of this chapter.
21	(e) This section expires January 1, 2006.
22	SECTION 80. IC 3-7-45-2.1 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
23	AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
24	1, 2003]: Sec. 2.1. (a) This section applies after December 31, 2005.
25	(b) As required under 42 U.S.C. 15483, the election division shall
26	coordinate the computerized list generated by the statewide voter
27	registration system under IC 3-7-26.3 with the state department of
28	health to permit a county voter registration office to cancel the
29	registration records of deceased individuals on an expedited basis.
30	(c) The state department of health shall report to the election
31	division, by county, the names, ages, and known residence
32	addresses of all persons who:
33	(1) died within Indiana but outside the county of residence;
34	and
35	(2) maintained a residence address within the county during
36	the two (2) years preceding the date of death.
37	(d) Each county health officer and municipal health officer shall
38	report to the state department of health the names, ages, and
39	known voting addresses in the county of all persons:
40	(1) who have died within the jurisdiction of the officer; or
41	(2) for whom burial permits have been issued by the officer.
42	The state department of health shall report this information to the
43	election division.
44	(e) The state department of health shall report to the election
45	division, by county, the names, ages, and known residence
46 47	addresses of all persons: (1) who died outside Indiana;
47	(2) who maintained a residence address within the county
49	during the two (2) years preceding the date of death; and
50	(3) whose name was supplied to the state department of health
20	(3) whose name was supplied to the state department of health

under an agreement made under section 5 of this chapter.

SECTION 81. IC 3-7-45-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 3. (a) This subsection applies before January 1, 2006. Not later than thirty (30) days after receipt of the reports required by section 2 of this chapter, each circuit court clerk or board of county voter registration office shall cancel the registration of each deceased person listed in the reports.

(b) This subsection applies after December 31, 2005. As required by 42 U.S.C. 15483, after receipt of the reports required by section 2 of this chapter, each county voter registration office shall cancel the registration of each deceased person listed in the reports.

SECTION 82. IC 3-7-45-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 4. (a) This subsection applies before January 1, 2006. Except as provided in subsection (b), (c), a circuit court clerk county voter registration office shall cancel the registration of a deceased person not later than thirty (30) days after receiving a copy of the deceased person's death certificate.

- (b) This subsection applies after December 31, 2005. Except as provided in subsection (c), a county voter registration office shall cancel the registration of a deceased person after receiving a copy of the deceased person's death certificate on an expedited basis, as required under 42 U.S.C. 15483. The county voter registration office shall enter the date and other information regarding the cancellation into the computerized list under IC 3-7-26.3.
- (c) A circuit court clerk county voter registration office may require additional written information before canceling the registration of a person under subsection (a) or (b) if the information contained in the death certificate is insufficient to identify the person whose registration is to be canceled. If:
 - (1) additional written information is not given to the circuit court clerk; county voter registration office; or
 - (2) the additional written information is insufficient to identify the person whose registration is to be canceled;

the circuit court clerk county voter registration office is not required to cancel the person's registration under subsection (a).

SECTION 83. IC 3-7-45-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 5. (a) The state department of health shall negotiate with appropriate agencies in each state other than Indiana to acquire information regarding the deaths of Indiana residents occurring in each of the other states. The state department of health may offer to share with each other state information regarding the deaths of the other state's residents in Indiana.

(b) If an agreement is made with the agency of another state under this section, the agreement must provide for acquisition of information about the deaths of Indiana residents in the other state so that the state department of health can forward that information to counties as provided in section 2 or 2.1 of this chapter.

SECTION 84. IC 3-7-45-6, AS ADDED BY P.L.38-1999, SECTION 19, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE

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- JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 6. (a) The election division or a contractor acting on behalf of the election division under IC 3-7-38.1 may obtain a list of Indiana residents identified as deceased by the federal Social Security Administration.
- (b) The election division or a contractor acting on behalf of the election division under IC 3-7-38.1 shall provide each county voter registration office with a report identifying the deceased individuals who are shown as residing in the county according to the statewide voter file prepared under IC 3-7-38.1.
- (c) Except as provided in section 7 of this chapter, the county voter registration office shall cancel the registration of each deceased person listed in the report provided under subsection (b).

(d) This section expires January 1, 2006.

SECTION 85. IC 3-7-45-6.1 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: **Sec. 6.1. (a) This section applies after December 31, 2005.**

- (b) The election division shall obtain information regarding Indiana residents identified as deceased by the federal Social Security Administration as required by 42 U.S.C. 15483 and in conformity with IC 3-7-26.3.
- (c) The election division shall provide each county voter registration office with a report identifying the deceased individuals who are shown as residing in the county.
- (d) Except as provided in section 7 of this chapter, the county voter registration office shall cancel the registration of each deceased person listed in the report provided under subsection (c).

SECTION 86. IC 3-7-45-8, AS ADDED BY P.L.199-2001, SECTION 13, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 8. The NVRA official shall notify the circuit court clerk or board of each county voter registration office of each respective county of the names of deceased persons obtained under this chapter.

SECTION 87. IC 3-7-46-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 1. As permitted under 42 U.S.C. 1973gg-6(a)(3)(B) and in the manner required under 42 U.S.C. 15483, a circuit court clerk or board of county voter registration office shall remove from the official list of registered voters the name of a voter who is disfranchised under this chapter due to a criminal conviction.

SECTION 88. IC 3-7-46-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 3. (a) This section applies to a person convicted of a felony in a district court of the United States.

- (b) As required by 42 U.S.C. 1973gg-6(g)(5), the NVRA official shall notify the circuit court clerk or board of county voter registration office of the county in Indiana in which the person resides of the information provided by the United States attorney under 42 U.S.C. 1973gg-6(g)(2), 42 U.S.C. 1973gg-6(g)(3), and 42 U.S.C. 1973gg-6(g)(4).
- (c) If the information provided under subsection (b) indicates that

the person is disfranchised under section 2 of this chapter, the clerk or board county voter registration office shall remove the name of the person from the voter registration records **on an expedited basis as required by 42 U.S.C. 15483.**

SECTION 89. IC 3-7-46-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.199-2001, SECTION 14, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 4. (a) Not later than the second Tuesday of each month, the department of correction shall provide the NVRA official with a list identifying each person who:

(1) is a resident of Indiana;

- (2) has been convicted of a crime; and
- (3) has been placed in a department of correction facility during the previous month.
- (b) The department of correction shall provide the information required by this section electronically in a format prescribed by the commission.
 - (c) This section expires January 1, 2006.

SECTION 90. IC 3-7-46-4.1 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: **Sec. 4.1. (a) This section applies after December 31, 2005.**

- (b) As required under 42 U.S.C. 15483, the election division shall coordinate the computerized list generated by the statewide voter registration system under IC 3-7-26.3 with the department of correction to permit a county voter registration office to cancel the registration records of disfranchised individuals on an expedited basis.
- (c) The department of correction shall provide the NVRA official with a list identifying each person who:
 - (1) is a resident of Indiana;
 - (2) has been convicted of a crime; and
 - (3) has been placed in a department of correction facility during the previous month.
- (d) The department of correction shall provide the information required by this section electronically in a format prescribed by the election division.

SECTION 91. IC 3-7-46-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 5. The NVRA official shall notify the circuit court clerk or board of county voter registration office of each county where a person on the report list resides for processing under section 8 of this chapter.

SECTION 92. IC 3-7-46-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 6. (a) Not later than:

- (1) January 31;
- (2) April 30;
- (3) July 31; and
- 46 (4) October 31;

of each year, a county sheriff shall provide the circuit court clerk or board of county voter registration office with a list with report containing the information set forth in subsection (b) for processing under section 8 of this chapter.

(b) The list required by subsection (a) must identify each person who:

(1) is a resident of Indiana;

- (2) has been convicted of a crime; and
- (3) has been placed in a county correctional facility during the previous month. quarter.

SECTION 93. IC 3-7-46-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 7. The circuit court clerk or board of county voter registration office shall notify the clerk or board county voter registration office of each county where a person on the list resides that a voter registered in that county has been listed on the report described in section 6 of this chapter.

SECTION 94. IC 3-7-46-7.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 7.5. If the information provided under section 5 or 6 of this chapter indicates that the person is disfranchised under section 2 of this chapter, the county voter registration office shall:

- (1) remove the name of the person from the voter registration records; and
- (2) after January 1, 2006, enter the date and other information regarding the cancellation into the computerized list under IC 3-7-26.3;

on an expedited basis, as required under 42 U.S.C. 15483.

SECTION 95. IC 3-7-46-8 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 8. (a) This subsection applies before January 1, 2006. On the last day of each month each county voter registration office shall prepare a list of the names and last known addresses of all persons within the county who have been disfranchised. The county voter registration office may secure the list at any time, but not later than the twenty-ninth day before a primary, general, or municipal election.

(b) This subsection applies after December 31, 2005. Each county voter registration office shall prepare a notice to be mailed to the names and last known addresses of all persons within the county who have been disfranchised.

SECTION 96. IC 3-7-46-9 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 9. (a) This subsection applies before January 1, 2006. Not later than thirty (30) days after preparation of the list under section 8 of this chapter, the circuit court clerk or board of registration shall send a notice to each alleged disfranchised person at the person's last known address using a form prescribed by the commission under this article.

(b) This subsection applies after December 31, 2005. After preparation of the notice under section 8 of this chapter, the county voter registration office shall mail the notice to the alleged disfranchised person not later than the day following the day that the voter's registration has been canceled under this chapter. The notice must be mailed to each alleged disfranchised person at the person's last known address using a form prescribed by the

commission under this article.

SECTION 97. IC 3-7-48-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.126-2002, SECTION 28, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 1. (a) This subsection applies before January 1, 2006. Except as otherwise provided by NVRA or in this chapter, a person whose name does not appear on the registration record may not vote, unless the circuit court clerk or board of county voter registration provides office files a signed certificate of error in the office where the permanent registration record is kept showing that the voter is legally registered in the precinct where the voter resides.

- (b) This subsection applies after December 31, 2005. Except as otherwise provided by NVRA or in this chapter, a person whose name does not appear on the registration record may not vote unless the county voter registration office:
 - (1) files a signed certificate of error in the county voter registration office; and
 - (2) enters information regarding the date and reason for the issuance of the certificate of error in the statewide voter registration system under IC 3-7-26.3;

showing that the voter is legally registered in the precinct where the voter resides.

(c) A person whose name does not appear on the registration record may cast a provisional ballot as provided upon compliance with the requirements in IC 3-11.7.

SECTION 98. IC 3-7-48-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 2. (a) This subsection applies before January 1, 2006. A certificate of error issued under section 1 of this chapter shall be executed in duplicate and numbered serially.

(b) This subsection applies after December 31, 2005. A certificate of error issued under section 1 of this chapter shall be executed in duplicate by the county voter registration office and assigned a unique sequential number by the county within the statewide voter registration system under IC 3-7-26.3.

SECTION 99. IC 3-8-2-9, AS AMENDED BY P.L.38-1999, SECTION 24, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 9. (a) A petition required by section 8 of this chapter must request that the name of the candidate be placed on the ballot at the primary election.

- (b) The county voter registration office in the county where a petitioner is registered must certify whether each petitioner is a voter of the county. The certification must accompany and be part of the
- (c) If a county is part of more than one (1) congressional district, the certificate must indicate the number of petitioners from that county who reside in each congressional district.
- (d) After December 31, 2005, the county voter registration office shall add a notation to the registration record of each voter certified as signing a petition under this section. The notation must include the date of certification of the voter's signature, the office

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sought by the candidate, and the name of the candidate whose petition was signed by the voter.

SECTION 100. IC 3-8-3-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 3. (a) A petition required by section 2 of this chapter must request that the candidate's name be placed on the ballot at the primary election.

- (b) The county voter registration office in the county where the petitioner is registered must certify whether each petitioner is a voter of the county. The certification must accompany and be part of the petition.
- (c) If a county is part of more than one (1) congressional district, the certificate must indicate the number of petitioners from that county who reside in each congressional district.
- (d) After December 31, 2005, the county voter registration office shall add a notation to the registration record of each voter certified as signing a petition under this section. The notation must include the date of certification of the voter's signature and the name of the candidate whose petition was signed by the voter.

SECTION 101. IC 3-8-6-8 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 8. (a) For a petition of nomination to be considered valid by the officer required to receive the petition, the circuit court clerk or board of registration in the county where the petitioner is registered must certify that each petitioner is a voter in the county. The certification must accompany and be part of each petition. The certification must indicate that each petitioner is eligible to vote for the candidates being nominated by the petition.

(b) After December 31, 2005, the county voter registration office shall add a notation to the registration record of each voter certified as signing a petition under this section. The notation must include the date of certification of the voter's signature and the name of the party or independent candidate whose petition was signed by the voter.

SECTION 102. IC 3-10-1-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 7. (a) **This section applies before January 1, 2006.**

- **(b)** Each county election board shall furnish the inspector of each precinct, for use on primary election day:
 - (1) a copy of the last regularly prepared registration record; or
 - (2) in a county with a computerized registration system, a certified copy under IC 3-7-29 of the list of all voters registered to vote in the precinct.
- (b) (c) The circuit court clerk or board of county voter registration office in a county with a computerized voting system may also provide the inspector of each precinct in the county with a certified photocopy of the signature on the affidavit or form of registration of each voter of the precinct for the comparison of signatures under section 24.5 of this chapter.
- (c) (d) If the name of a person offering to vote at the primary is in the registration record or listed in the certified copy prepared for the precinct, it is sufficient evidence of the person's right to vote unless the

person is challenged.

SECTION 103. IC 3-10-1-7.1 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 7.1. (a) This section applies after December 31, 2005.

- (b) Each county election board shall furnish the inspector of each precinct for use on primary election day a certified copy under IC 3-7-29 of the list of all voters registered to vote in the precinct.
- (c) The county voter registration office may also provide the inspector of each precinct in the county a certified photocopy of the signature on the affidavit or form of registration of each voter of the precinct for the comparison of signatures under section 24.6 of this chapter.
- (d) If the name of a person offering to vote at the primary is in the registration record or listed in the certified copy prepared for the precinct, it is sufficient evidence of the person's right to vote unless the person is challenged.

SECTION 104. IC 3-10-1-8 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 8. (a) This subsection applies before January 1, 2004. A person who will be a voter at the general election for which the primary is being held and whose name does not appear on the registration record or on the certified copy of the registration record in a county with a computerized registration system may vote if the circuit court clerk or board of registration provides a signed certificate of error under IC 3-7-48 showing that the person is a registered voter of the precinct.

- (b) This subsection applies after December 31, 2003. A person who will be a voter at the general election for which the primary is being held and whose name does not appear on the registration record of the precinct or on the certified copy of the registration record prepared under IC 3-7-29 may:
 - (1) vote if the county voter registration office provides a signed certificate of error; or
 - (2) cast a provisional ballot under IC 3-11.7, as provided by 42 U.S.C. 15482.

SECTION 105. IC 3-10-1-10.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 10.5. (a) This section applies after December 31, 2003.

- (b) This section does not apply to a voter who is challenged under section 10 of this chapter on the basis of party affiliation.
- (c) In accordance with 42 U.S.C. 15482, a voter challenged under this chapter is entitled to cast a provisional ballot under IC 3-11.7 after executing the affidavit under section 9 of this chapter.

SECTION 106. IC 3-10-1-24, AS AMENDED BY P.L.199-2001, SECTION 18, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 24. (a) A voter who desires to vote must give the voter's name and political party to the poll clerks of the precinct on

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primary election day. The poll clerks shall require the voter to write the following on the poll list:

(1) The voter's name.

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- (2) The voter's current residence address.
- (3) The name of the voter's party.
- (b) The poll clerks shall:
 - (1) ask the voter to provide, **update**, **or confirm** the voter's voter identification number;
 - (2) tell the voter the number the voter may use as a voter identification number; and
 - (3) explain to the voter that the voter is not required to provide a voter identification number at the polls.
- (c) If the voter is unable to sign the voter's name, the voter must sign the poll list by mark, which must be witnessed by one (1) of the poll clerks or assistant poll clerks acting under IC 3-6-6, who shall place the poll clerk's or assistant poll clerk's initials after or under the mark.

SECTION 107. IC 3-10-1-24.5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 24.5. (a) **This section applies before January 1, 2006.**

- **(b)** This section does not apply to a precinct in a county with a computerized registration system whose inspector was:
 - (1) furnished with a list certified under IC 3-7-29; and
 - (2) not furnished with a certified photocopy of the signature on the affidavit of registration of each voter of the precinct for the comparison of signatures under this section.
- (b) (c) In case of doubt concerning a voter's identity, the precinct election board shall compare the voter's signature with the signature on the affidavit of registration or any certified copy of the signature provided under section 7 of this chapter. If the board determines that the voter's signature is authentic, the voter may then vote.
- (c) (d) If either poll clerk doubts the voter's identity following the comparison of the signatures, the poll clerk shall challenge the voter in the manner prescribed by IC 3-11-8. If the poll clerk does not execute a challenger's affidavit under IC 3-11-8-21 or if the voter executes a challenged voter's affidavit under IC 3-11-8-22, the voter may then vote.

SECTION 108. IC 3-10-1-24.6 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: **Sec. 24.6. (a) This section applies after December 31, 2005.**

- (b) In case of doubt concerning a voter's identity, the precinct election board shall compare the voter's signature with the signature on the affidavit of registration or any certified copy of the signature provided under section 7 of this chapter. If the board determines that the voter's signature is authentic, the voter may then vote.
- (c) If either poll clerk doubts the voter's identity following the comparison of the signatures, the poll clerk shall challenge the voter in the manner prescribed by IC 3-11-8. If the poll clerk does not execute a challenger's affidavit under IC 3-11-8-21 or if the

voter executes a challenged voter's affidavit under IC 3-11-8-22, the voter may then vote.

SECTION 109. IC 3-10-1-31, AS AMENDED BY P.L.199-2001, SECTION 19, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 31. (a) The inspector of each precinct shall deliver the bags required by section 30(a) and 30(c) of this chapter in good condition, together with poll lists, tally sheets, and other forms, to the circuit court clerk when making returns.

- (b) Except for unused ballots disposed of under IC 3-11-3-31, the circuit court clerk shall carefully preserve the ballots and other material and keep all seals intact for twenty-two (22) months, as required by 42 U.S.C. 1974, after which they may be destroyed unless:
 - (1) an order issued under IC 3-12-6-19 or IC 3-12-11-16; or
- (2) 42 U.S.C. 1973;

requires the continued preservation of the ballots or other material.

- (c) This subsection applies before January 1, 2006. Upon delivery of the poll lists, the circuit court clerk or board of county voter registration office may unseal the envelopes containing the poll lists. For the purposes of:
 - (1) a cancellation of registration conducted under IC 3-7-43 through IC 3-7-46; $\frac{1}{100}$ or
 - (2) a transfer of registration conducted under IC 3-7-39, IC 3-7-40, or IC 3-7-42; **or**
 - (3) recording that a voter subject to IC 3-7-33-4.5 submitted the documentation required under 42 U.S.C. 15843 and IC 3-11-8 or IC 3-11-10;

the clerk or board county voter registration office may inspect the poll lists and update the registration record of the county. The clerk or board county voter registration office shall use the poll lists to update the registration record to include the voter's voter identification number if the voter's voter identification number is not already included in the registration record. Upon completion of the inspection, the poll list shall be resealed and preserved with the ballots and other materials for the time period prescribed by subsection (b).

- (d) This subsection applies after December 31, 2005. Upon delivery of the poll lists, the county voter registration office may unseal the envelopes containing the poll lists. For purposes of:
 - (1) a cancellation of registration conducted under IC 3-7-43 through IC 3-7-46; or
 - (2) a transfer of registration conducted under IC 3-7-39, IC 3-7-40, or IC 3-7-42;

the county voter registration office may inspect the poll lists and update the registration record of the county. The county voter registration office shall use the poll lists to update the registration record to include the voter's current voter identification number if the voter's voter identification number is not included in the registration record. Upon completion of the inspection, the poll list shall be resealed and preserved with the ballots and other materials for the time period prescribed by subsection (b).

(e) After the expiration of the period described in subsection (b), the

ballots may be destroyed in the manner provided by IC 3-11-3-31 or transferred to a state educational institution as provided by IC 3-12-2-12.

SECTION 110. IC 3-10-7-33 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 33. (a) A town election board shall canvass the votes from a municipal election in the manner prescribed by IC 3-12-4.

(b) After completion of the canvass, the town election board shall immediately file the poll lists, ballots, tally sheets, and other election forms with the circuit court clerk of the county containing the greatest percentage of population of the town for preservation and voter list maintenance in accordance with IC 3-10-1-31.

SECTION 111. IC 3-10-11-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 5. An affidavit executed under this chapter must contain the following information:

- (1) The person's last, first, and middle name, in that order.
- (2) The person's birthplace and date of birth.
- (3) Whether the person is a United States citizen.
- (4) The person's current address, including the county. If the person resides in a municipality, the address must include the street address, including apartment number or other designation, or the name and room number of the hotel or lodging house. If the person does not reside in a municipality, the address must include the mailing address and the street or road.
- (5) The address of the person's previous residence, including the county.
- (6) The person's statement that the person satisfies the conditions set forth in section 2 of this chapter.
- (7) After December 31, 2005, the person's voter identification number to permit transfer of the registration under IC 3-7-13-13.

SECTION 112. IC 3-10-12-3.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: **Sec. 3.5. After December 31, 2005, the written affirmation described in section 3 of this chapter must include the person's voter identification number to permit transfer of the registration under IC 3-7-13-13.**

SECTION 113. IC 3-11-3-11, AS AMENDED BY P.L.126-2002, SECTION 41, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 11. The county election board shall deliver the following to each inspector or the inspector's representative:

- (1) The sealed package of paper ballots, provisional ballots, sample ballots, and any other supplies provided for the inspector's precinct by the election division.
- (2) The local sample ballots, the ballot labels, if any, and all poll lists, registration lists, and other supplies considered necessary to conduct the election in the inspector's precinct.
- (3) The local ballots printed under the direction of the county election board as follows:
 - (A) The number of ballots equal to one hundred percent

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- (100%) of the number of voters in the inspector's precinct, according to the poll list.
 - (B) In those precincts where voting machines, ballot card systems, or electronic voting systems are to be used, the number of paper ballots that will be required for emergency purposes only.
 - (C) Provisional ballots in the number considered necessary by the county election board.
- (4) Twenty (20) ink pens suitable for printing the names of write-in candidates on the ballot or ballot envelope.
- (5) Copies of the voter's bill of rights for posting as required by 42 U.S.C. 15482.
- (6) Copies of the instructions for a provisional voter required by 42 U.S.C. 15482. The county election board shall provide at least the number of copies of the instructions as the number of provisional ballots provided under subdivision (3).

SECTION 114. IC 3-11-3-16 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 16. (a) This subsection applies before January 1, 2006. Each county election board shall prepare and have delivered to the inspectors of the precincts, at the time they receive the ballots for their precincts, a suitable number of blank poll list sheets and any other forms, papers, certificates, and oaths that are required to be furnished to precinct election boards. The forms and papers must have proper captions. In a The county having a board of registration, the board of voter registration may office shall cooperate with the county election board in the preparation of the poll lists.

(b) This subsection applies after December 31, 2005. Each county election board shall prepare and have delivered to the inspectors of the precincts, at the time they receive the ballots for their precincts, a suitable number of voter registration lists certified under IC 3-7-29 and any other forms, papers, certificates, and oaths that are required to be furnished to precinct election boards. The forms and papers must be prepared in compliance with IC 3-5-4-8. The county voter registration office shall cooperate with the county election board in the preparation of the lists certified under IC 3-7-29.

SECTION 115. IC 3-11-3-17 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 17. (a) This section does not apply to a county with a computerized registration system that has furnished the inspector of a precinct with certified copies of the list of registered voters prepared under IC 3-7-29.

(b) The county election board shall prepare the poll lists in looseleaf sheet form or book form. The sheets must have adequate space and lines on each side for taking the signatures and addresses of the voters. The sheets may contain the names and addresses of the voters in the respective precincts in alphabetical order, with a space opposite each name for the signature and address of the voter when the voter votes and any other information required by law.

(c) This section expires January 1, 2006.

SECTION 116. IC 3-11-3-18, AS AMENDED BY P.L.199-2001, SECTION 20, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 18. (a) At the extreme top of a poll list sheet the heading "VOTERS POLL LIST" should appear, followed by the following information:

(1) The type of election.

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- (2) The date of the election.
- (3) After December 31, 2003, mail in registration requiring additional voter identification.
- (4) The name of the precinct, township (or ward), and county.
- (b) Following the information required in subsection (a), the following headings should appear from left to right on each sheet:
 - (1) "Signature of Voter".
 - (2) "Address of Voter".
 - (3) "Voter Identification Number (Optional)".
 - (4) "If any voter shows his or her ballot after being marked, or by accident mutilates or defaces his or her ballot, note it in this column. Also note any other irregularity in this column.".
 - (c) This section expires January 1, 2006.

SECTION 117. IC 3-11-3-19 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 19. (a) After the polls are closed, the looseleaf poll list sheets that have been used in the precinct on election day shall be assembled and fastened together between two (2) manila tag board covers with the two (2) paper fasteners provided for that purpose. The manila tag board covers shall be punched and cut the same size as the poll list sheets.

(b) This section expires January 1, 2006.

SECTION 118. IC 3-11-3-21 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 21. (a) The looseleaf poll list sheets, the book form poll lists, and the covers required by sections 17 and 19 of this chapter are a part of the election supplies.

(b) This section expires January 1, 2006.

SECTION 119. IC 3-11-3-25 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 25. **As required by 42 U.S.C. 15482**, the inspector of each precinct shall post the samples of each of the state and local ballots provided by the county election board under this article in and about the polls. The sample ballots shall be printed on different paper than the genuine ballots.

SECTION 120. IC 3-11-4-5.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]. Sec. 5.5. In accordance with 42 U.S.C. 1973ff-1(b), the election division is designated as the single office in Indiana responsible for providing information regarding voter registration procedures under IC 3-7 and absentee ballot procedures under this chapter to be used by absent uniformed services voters and overseas voters who wish to register to vote or vote in any jurisdiction in Indiana.

SECTION 121. IC 3-11-4-6, AS AMENDED BY P.L.126-2002, SECTION 51, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 6. (a) This section applies, notwithstanding any

other provision of this title, to absentee ballot applications for the following:

- (1) An absent uniformed services voter.
- (2) An address confidentiality program participant (as defined in IC 5-26.5-1-6).
- (3) An overseas voter.
- (b) A county election board shall make blank absentee ballot applications available for persons covered by this section after November 20 preceding the election to which the application applies. Except as provided in subsection (c), the person may apply for an absentee ballot at any time after the applications are made available.
- (c) A person covered by this section may apply for an absentee ballot for the next scheduled primary, general, or special election at any time by filing a standard form approved under 42 U.S.C. 1973ff(b).
- (d) If the county election board receives an absentee ballot application from a person described by this section, the circuit court clerk shall mail to the person, free of postage as provided by 39 U.S.C. 3406, all ballots for the election immediately upon receipt of the ballots under sections 13 and 15 of this chapter.
- (e) In accordance with 42 U.S.C. 1973ff-3, whenever a voter files an application for an absentee ballot and indicates on the application that the voter:
 - (1) is an absent uniformed services voter or an overseas voter;
 - (2) does not expect to be in the county on the next general election day following the date the application is filed and expects to remain absent from the county until at least the date of the second general election following the date the application is filed;

the application is an adequate application for an absentee ballot for both subsequent general elections and any municipal or special election conducted during that period. The circuit court clerk and county election board shall process this application and send general election absentee ballots to the voter in the same manner as other general election and special election absentee ballot applications and ballots are processed and sent under this chapter.

- (f) Whenever a voter described in subsection (a) (a)(2) files an application for a primary election absentee ballot and indicates on the application that
 - (1) the voter is an absent uniformed services voter and does not expect to be in the county on general election day and on the date of any special election conducted during the twelve (12) months following the date of the application;
 - (2) the voter is an address confidentiality program participant or (3) the voter is an overseas voter and does not expect to be in the county on general election day and on the date of any special election conducted during the twelve (12) months following the date of the application;

the application is an adequate application for a general election absentee ballot under this chapter and an absentee ballot for a special

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election conducted during the twelve (12) months following the date of the application. The circuit court clerk and county election board shall process this application and send general election and special election absentee ballots to the voter in the same manner as other general election and special election absentee ballot applications and ballots are processed and sent under this chapter.

- (f) (g) The name, address, telephone number, and any other identifying information relating to a program participant (as defined in IC 5-26.5-1-6) in the address confidentiality program, as contained in a voting registration record, is declared confidential for purposes of IC 5-14-3-4(a)(1). The county voter registration office may not disclose for public inspection or copying a name, an address, a telephone number, or any other information described in this subsection, as contained in a voting registration record, except as follows:
 - (1) To a law enforcement agency, upon request.
 - (2) As directed by a court order.
- (g) (h) The county election board shall transmit and receive absentee ballots by fax to an absent uniformed services voter or an overseas voter at the request of the voter. If the voter wants to submit absentee ballots by fax, the voter must separately sign and date a statement on the cover of the fax transmission that states substantively the following: "I understand that by faxing my voted ballot I am voluntarily waiving my right to a secret ballot."
- (h) (i) The county election board shall send confirmation to a voter described in subsection (g) (h) that the voter's absentee ballot has been received as follows:
 - (1) If the voter provides a fax number to which a confirmation may be sent, the county election board shall send the confirmation to the voter at the fax number provided by the voter.
 - (2) If the voter provides an electronic mail address to which a confirmation may be sent, the county election board shall send the confirmation to the voter at the electronic mail address provided by the voter.
 - (3) If:

- (A) the voter does not provide a fax number or an electronic mail address; or
- (B) the number or address provided does not permit the board to send the confirmation not later than the end of the first business day after the board receives the voter's absentee ballot;

the county election board shall send the confirmation by United States mail.

The county election board shall send the confirmation required by this subsection not later than the end of the first business day after the county election board receives the voter's absentee ballot.

SECTION 122. IC 3-11-4-17, AS AMENDED BY P.L.126-2002, SECTION 54, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 17. (a) Upon receipt of an application for an absentee ballot, a circuit court clerk shall file the application in the clerk's office and record all of the following:

- (1) The voter's name.
 - (2) The date the application is received.
 - (3) The date the ballot is sent to the voter.
 - (4) If mailed, the address to which the ballot is sent.
 - (5) After December 31, 2003, whether the applicant will be required to file additional documentation in the county voter registration office before the absentee ballot may be counted.
 - (6) If transmitted by fax, the fax number to which the ballot is faxed.
 - (6) (7) The date the ballot is marked before the clerk or otherwise received from the voter.
 - (7) (8) Any other information that is necessary or advisable.
 - (b) After December 31, 2005, and promptly upon entering information in the record under subsection (a), the circuit court clerk shall provide the county voter registration office with the information listed in subsection (a) for entry in the computerized list maintained under IC 3-7-26.3.

SECTION 123. IC 3-11-4-17.5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 17.5. (a) Upon receiving an application for an absentee ballot, the county election board shall determine if the applicant is a voter of the precinct in which the applicant resides, according to the records of the county voter registration office. If the applicant is not a voter of the precinct according to the registration record (or if the application as completed and filed does not otherwise comply with this chapter), the county election board shall deny the application.

- (b) This subsection applies after December 31, 2003, to an absentee ballot application submitted by an absent uniformed services voter or an overseas voter. In accordance with 42 U.S.C. 1973ff-1(d), if the application is denied, the county election board shall provide the voter with the reasons for the denial of the application. Unless the voter is present when the board denies the application, the board shall send a written notice stating the reasons for the denial to the voter. The notice must be sent:
 - (1) not later than forty-eight (48) hours after the application is denied; and
 - (2) to the voter at the address at which the voter requested that the absentee ballot be mailed.
- (c) This subsection applies after December 31, 2003. If the county election board determines that the applicant is a voter of the precinct under subsection (a), the board shall then determine whether:
 - (1) the applicant was required to file any additional documentation under IC 3-7-33-4.5; and
 - (2) the applicant has filed this documentation according to the records of the county voter registration office.

If the applicant has not filed the required documentation, the county election board shall approve the application if the application otherwise complies with this chapter. The board shall add a notation to the application and to the record compiled under

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section 17 of this chapter indicating that the applicant will be required to provide additional documentation to the county voter registration office under IC 3-7-33-4.5 before the absentee ballot may be counted.

(d) If the applicant:

- (1) is a voter of the precinct according to the registration record; and
- (2) states on the application that the applicant resides at an address that is within the same precinct but is not the same address shown on the registration record; **and**
- (3) after December 31, 2005, provides a voter identification number on the application to permit transfer of registration under IC 3-7-13-13;

the county election board shall direct the county voter registration office to transfer the applicant's voter registration address to the address within the precinct shown on the application. The applicant's application for an absentee ballot shall be approved if the applicant is otherwise eligible to receive the ballot under this chapter.

SECTION 124. IC 3-11-4-17.7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 17.7. (a) This section applies when a voter:

- (1) has been mailed the official ballot under this chapter; and
- (2) notifies the county election board that the ballot has been destroyed, spoiled, lost, or not received by the voter after a reasonable time has elapsed for delivery of the ballot by mail.
- (b) As required under 42 U.S.C. 15481, the voter may obtain a replacement official ballot under the procedures set forth in this chapter after the voter files a statement with the county election board. The statement must affirm, under penalties of perjury, that the voter did not receive the official ballot (or that the ballot was received by the voter, but was destroyed, spoiled, or lost), and must set forth any facts known by the voter concerning the destruction, spoiling, or loss of the ballot.
- (c) After a voter files the statement required under subsection (b), the county election board may issue a replacement official ballot to the voter in accordance with this chapter and shall include information regarding the official replacement ballot in the certification provided to the precinct inspector under section 22 of this chapter.
- (d) After receiving the official replacement ballot, the voter shall destroy any spoiled ballot in the possession of the voter or any lost or delayed official ballot that comes into the possession of the voter.

SECTION 125. IC 3-11-4-18, AS AMENDED BY P.L.126-2002, SECTION 55, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 18. (a) If a voter satisfies any of the following, the county election board shall, at the request of the voter, mail the official ballot, postage fully prepaid, to the voter at the address stated in the application:

- (1) The voter will be absent from the county on election day.
- (2) The voter will be absent from the precinct of the voter's residence on election day because of service as:
 - (A) a precinct election officer under IC 3-6-6;

(B) a watcher under IC 3-6-8, IC 3-6-9, or IC 3-6-10; 1 2 (C) a challenger or pollbook holder under IC 3-6-7; or 3 (D) a person employed by an election board to administer the election for which the absentee ballot is requested. 4 5 (3) The voter will be confined on election day to the voter's residence, to a health care facility, or to a hospital because of an 6 7 illness or injury. 8 (4) The voter is a voter with disabilities. 9 (5) The voter is an elderly voter. (6) The voter is prevented from voting due to the voter's care of 10 an individual confined to a private residence because of illness or 11 12 injury. (7) The voter is scheduled to work at the person's regular place of 13 employment during the entire twelve (12) hours that the polls are 14 15 open. (8) The voter is eligible to vote under IC 3-10-11 or IC 3-10-12. 16 (b) This subsection applies after December 31, 2003. If the 17 county election board mails an absentee ballot to a voter required 18 19 to file additional documentation with the county voter registration office before voting by absentee ballot under this chapter, the 20 21 board shall include a notice to the voter in the envelope mailed to the voter under section 20 of this chapter. The notice must inform 22 23 the voter that the voter must file the additional documentation 24 required under IC 3-7-33-4.5 with the county voter registration 25 office not later than noon on election day for the absentee ballot to be counted. The commission shall prescribe the form of this notice 26 27 under IC 3-5-4-8. 28 (c) The ballot shall be mailed: 29 (1) on the day of the receipt of the voter's application; or (2) not more than five (5) days after the date of delivery of the 30 ballots under section 15 of this chapter; 31 32 whichever is later. 33 (c) (d) In addition to the ballot mailed under subsection (b), (c), the county election board shall mail a special absentee ballot for overseas 34 35 (d) (e) The ballot described in subsection (c): (d): 36 37 (1) must be mailed: 38 (A) on the day of the receipt of the voter's application; or (B) not more than five (5) days after the date of delivery of the 39 ballots under section 13(b) of this chapter; 40 whichever is later; and 41 (2) may not be mailed after the absentee ballots described by 42 43 section 13(a) of this chapter have been delivered to the circuit 44 court clerk or the clerk's authorized deputy. (f) This subsection applies after December 31, 2005. As required 45 by 42 U.S.C. 15481, an election board must establish a voter 46 education program (specific to a paper ballot or optical scan ballot 47 card provided as an absentee ballot under this chapter) to notify a 48 voter of the effect of casting multiple ballots for a single office. 49

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(g) This subsection applies after December 31, 2005. As

provided by 42 U.S.C. 15481, when an absentee ballot is mailed under this section, the mailing must include:

(1) information include information concerning the effect of casting multiple votes for an office; and

(2) instructions on how to correct the ballot before the ballot

ballots.
SECTION 126. IC 3-11-4-21, AS AMENDED BY P.L.38-1999, SECTION 40, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 21. (a) On the other side of the envelope required by section 20 of this chapter shall be printed an affidavit in conformity with 42 U.S.C. 1973ff-1(b), providing that the voter affirms under

penalty of perjury that the following information is true:

is cast and counted, including the issuance of replacement

- (1) The name of the precinct and township (or ward and city or town).
- (2) That the voter is:
 - (A) a resident of; or
- (B) entitled under IC 3-10-11 or IC 3-10-12 to vote in; the precinct.
- (3) The voter's complete residence address, including the name of the city or town and county.
- (4) That the voter is entitled to vote in the precinct, the type of election to be held, and the date of the election.
- (5) That:

- (A) the voter has personally marked the enclosed ballot or ballots in secret and has enclosed them in this envelope and sealed them without exhibiting them to any other person;
- (B) the voter personally marked the enclosed ballot or ballots, enclosed them in this envelope, and sealed them with the assistance of an individual whose name is listed on the envelope and who affirms under penalty of perjury that the voter was not coerced or improperly influenced by the individual assisting the voter or any other person, in a manner prohibited by state or federal law, to cast the ballot for or against any candidate, political party, or public question; or
- (C) as the properly authorized attorney in fact for the undersigned under IC 30-5-5-14, the attorney in fact affirms the voter personally marked the enclosed ballot or ballots in secret and enclosed them in this envelope and sealed them without exhibiting them to the attorney in fact or to any other person.
- (6) The date and the voter's signature.
 - (b) If the affidavit is signed by an attorney in fact, the name of the attorney in fact must be indicated.
 - (c) A guardian or conservator of an individual may not sign an affidavit for the individual under this section unless the guardian or conservator also holds a power of attorney authorizing the guardian or conservator to sign the affidavit.

SECTION 127. IC 3-11-6.5-0.3 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS

[EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 0.3. As used in this chapter, "fund" refers to the election administration assistance fund established by section 2 of this chapter.

SECTION 128. IC 3-11-6.5-0.7 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: **Sec. 0.7.** As used in this chapter, "purchase" includes the purchasing, leasing, and lease-purchasing of voting systems.

SECTION 129. IC 3-11-6.5-1, AS ADDED BY P.L.239-2001, SECTION 7, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. (a) As used in this section, "department" refers to the Indiana department of administration established by IC 4-13-1-2.

- (b) The department shall award quantity purchase agreements to vendors for new voting systems or upgrades or expansion of existing voting systems by counties.
- (c) Both of the following must apply before the department may issue a quantity purchase agreement to a voting system vendor:
 - (1) The commission has found that all of the following would be enhanced by the vendor's new or upgraded voting system:
 - (A) Reliability of a county's voting system.
 - (B) Efficiency of a county's voting system.
 - (C) Ease of use by voters.
 - (D) Public confidence in a county's voting system.
 - (2) The commission has otherwise approved the vendor's new voting system or the upgrade or expansion of the existing voting system for use under this title.
- (d) The quantity purchase agreement must include options for a county to:
 - (1) purchase;
 - (2) lease-purchase; or
- 32 (3) lease;

new voting systems or upgrades or expansion of existing voting systems.

- (e) The purchase of new voting systems or upgrades or expansions of existing voting systems under a quantity purchase agreement entered into by the department under this section is considered an acquisition by the state for purposes of 42 U.S.C. 15401 if the voting system, upgrade, or expansion complies with 42 U.S.C. 15481 through 15502.
- (f) Not later than December 31, 2005, each county shall purchase at least one (1) voting system under this section for each polling place in the county to meet the requirements set forth under IC 3-11-15-13.

SECTION 130. IC 3-11-6.5-2, AS ADDED BY P.L.239-2001, SECTION 7, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. (a) In accordance with 42 U.S.C. 15404, the voting system improvement election administration assistance fund is established for the purpose of following purposes:

(1) As provided by 42 U.S.C. 15401, to carry out activities to

1 improve the administration of elections for federal office. 2 (2) As provided by 42 U.S.C. 15401, to use funds provided to 3 the state under Title II, Subtitle D, Part I of HAVA (42 U.S.C. 4 15401 through 15408) as a reimbursement of costs in 5 obtaining voting equipment that complies with 42 U.S.C. 15481 if the state obtains the equipment after November 7, 6 7 2000. 8 (3) As provided by 42 U.S.C. 15401, to use funds provided to 9 the state under Title II, Subtitle D, Part I of HAVA (42 U.S.C. 10 15401 through 15408) as a reimbursement of costs in obtaining voting equipment that complies with 42 U.S.C. 11 15481 under a multiyear contract incurred after December 12 13 31, 2000. 14 (4) For reimbursing counties for the 15 (1) purchase (2) lease-purchase; or 16 (3) lease; 17 18 of new voting systems or for the upgrade or expansion of existing voting systems that would not qualify for reimbursement 19 20 under subdivision (2) or (3). (b) The fund consists of the following: 21 (1) Money appropriated to the fund by the general assembly, 22 including any money appropriated from the build Indiana fund. 23 (2) All money allocated to the state by the federal government: 24 (A) under Section 101 of HAVA (42 U.S.C.15301), as 25 required by 42 U.S.C. 15304; 26 (B) under Section 102 of HAVA (42 U.S.C. 15302), as 27 required by 42 U.S.C. 15304; 28 29 (C) under Title II, Subtitle D, Part I of HAVA (42 U.S.C. 15401 through 15408); and 30 (D) under any other program for the improvement of voting 31 systems. election administration. 32 (3) Proceeds of bonds issued by the Indiana bond bank for 33 34 improvement of voting systems as authorized by law. 35 The auditor of state shall establish an account within the fund for 36 money appropriated by the general assembly and a separate account 37 accounts within the fund for any money received by the state from the 38 federal government for each source of allocations described under 39 subdivision (2). Proceeds of bonds issued by the Indiana bond bank under subdivision (3) may be deposited into either any account, as 40 determined by the election division. 41 (c) The election division secretary of state shall administer the 42 43 fund. 44 (d) The expenses of administering the fund shall be paid from money in the Section 101 account of the fund. If money is not 45 available for this purpose in the Section 101 account of the fund, 46 the expenses of administering the fund shall be paid from money 47

(e) The treasurer of state shall invest the money in the fund not

currently needed to meet the obligations of the fund in the same

appropriated under subsection (b)(1).

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manner as other public money may be invested. Interest that accrues from these investments shall be deposited in the fund and allocated among the accounts within the fund according to the balances of the respective accounts.

- (f) Money in the fund at the end of a state fiscal year does not revert to the state general fund.
- (g) Money in the fund is appropriated continuously for the purposes stated in subsection (a).
- (h) Money in the fund derived from appropriations made by the general assembly or that are the proceeds of bonds issued by the Indiana bond bank may be used only to reimburse counties for the:
 - (1) purchase;
 - (2) lease-purchase; or
 - (3) lease;

of new voting systems or upgrades or expansion of existing voting systems after June 30, 2001.

- (i) Money in the fund derived from money received by the state from the federal government may be used for either of the following purposes:
 - (1) To reimburse counties for the:
 - (A) purchase;
 - (B) lease-purchase; or
- (C) lease;

of new voting systems or upgrades or expansion of existing voting systems after June 30, 2001.

(2) To reimburse counties for the purchase of new voting systems or upgrades or expansion of existing voting systems after January 1, 1998, and before July 1, 2001.

SECTION 131. IC 3-11-6.5-3.1 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3.1. (a) This section applies to money received under Title II, Subtitle D, Part I of HAVA (42 U.S.C. 15401 through 15408) and deposited in the account established under section 2 of this chapter for those funds.

- (b) Except as provided in subsection (c), money deposited in the account must be used to comply with the requirements of Title III of HAVA (42 U.S.C. 15481 through 15502).
- (c) As authorized under 42 U.S.C. 15401(b), money deposited in the account may be used for other purposes authorized under Section 101 of HAVA (42 U.S.C. 15301) if the secretary of state files the certification required by Section 251(b)(2)(B) of HAVA (42 U.S.C. 15401(b)(2)(A)).
- (d) If the secretary of state makes the certification described in subsection (c), the secretary of state may transfer amounts that do not in total exceed the amount described in Section 251(b)(2)(B) from the Title II account of the fund to the Section 101 account of the fund.
- (e) In conformity with Section 254(a)(7) of HAVA (42 U.S.C. 15404), the state shall maintain expenditures by the state for activities funded by the payment of funds described by this section

at a level that is not less than the level of those expenditures maintained by the state for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000.

SECTION 132. IC 3-11-6.5-4, AS ADDED BY P.L.239-2001, SECTION 7, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. (a) To receive reimbursement for the purchase of voting systems under this chapter, a county must file an application with the budget agency. If a county filed an application under section 3 of this chapter (repealed) not later than January 31, 2003, the application may be amended to comply with this chapter or the county may file a new application under this subsection.

- **(b)** The budget agency, after review by the budget committee, shall approve a county's application for reimbursement under this chapter if the county's application demonstrates to the budget agency **determines** either of the following:
 - (1) That the county has purchased or will
 - (A) purchase;
 - (B) lease-purchase; or
 - (C) lease;

a new voting system or an upgrade or expansion of an existing voting system from a vendor that has a quantity purchase agreement awarded under section 1 of this chapter. to comply with HAVA that would be eligible for reimbursement under HAVA and this chapter from any fund account.

- (2) The county purchased a new voting system or an upgrade or expansion of the county's existing voting system after January 1, 1998, November 5, 1996, and before July 1, 2001, November 8, 2000, that would not qualify for reimbursement from federal funds received under HAVA, and the new voting system or upgrade or expansion of the county's existing voting system enhanced all of the following:
 - (A) Reliability of the county's voting system.
 - (B) Efficiency of the county's voting system.
 - (C) Ease of use of the county's voting system by voters.
 - (D) Public confidence in the county's voting system.

SECTION 133. IC 3-11-6.5-5, AS ADDED BY P.L.239-2001, SECTION 7, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. (a) If a county's application is approved under section 4 of this chapter, the election division secretary of state shall, subject to this section, reimburse the county from the voting system improvement fund an amount equal to:

- (1) fifty percent (50%) of the purchase price of a new voting system or the upgrade or expansion of an existing voting system, if the county purchased the new voting system, upgrade, or expansion after December 31, 1997, and the county qualifies for reimbursement under section 4(b)(1) or 4(b)(2) of this chapter; and
- (2) twenty-five percent (25%) of the purchase price of a new voting system or the upgrade or expansion of an existing voting system if the county purchased the new voting system,

upgrade, or expansion after November 5, 1996, and before January 1, 1998. If the county has entered into an agreement to lease-purchase or lease a new voting system or the upgrade or expansion of an existing voting system after December 31, 1997, each year the election division shall reimburse the county fifty percent (50%) of the county's lease-purchase or lease payments for that year. If the county has entered into an agreement to lease-purchase or lease a new voting system or the upgrade or expansion of an existing voting system after November 5, 1996, and before January 1, 1998, each year the election division shall reimburse the county twenty-five percent (25%) of the county's lease-purchase or lease payments for that year.

- (b) Payment of money from the voting system improvement fund is subject to the availability of money in the fund and the requirements of this chapter and HAVA. If an application is approved under this section, the election division shall reimburse the county from the fund.
- (c) It is the intent of the general assembly that a county eligible for reimbursement under section 4 of this chapter be reimbursed from federal money received by the state to the maximum extent permitted by federal law.
 - (d) This section expires January 1, 2006.

SECTION 134. IC 3-11-6.5-6.1 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 6.1. When approving applications for reimbursement for voting systems under this chapter, the budget agency shall give priority to approving applications to replace a punch card voting system or voting machine system.

SECTION 135. IC 3-11-6.5-7.1 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 7.1. (a) This section applies to money received under Section 102 of HAVA (42 U.S.C. 15302) and deposited in the account established under section 2 of this chapter for those funds.

- (b) Money deposited in the account must be used for the purposes set forth in Section 102 of HAVA (42 U.S.C. 15302).
- (c) As permitted under 42 U.S.C. 15302, the secretary of state may directly purchase voting systems that comply with the requirements for voting systems referenced under 42 U.S.C. 15302. If the secretary of state purchases voting systems under this subsection, the secretary of state shall furnish the voting systems to counties who apply under subsection (d).
- (d) As permitted under 42 U.S.C. 15302, a county may apply to receive reimbursement from these funds or voting systems acquired under subsection (c).
- (e) To receive reimbursement or voting systems under this section, a county must file an application with the budget agency. If a county filed an application under section 3 of this chapter not later than January 31, 2003, the application may be amended to

comply with this chapter or the county may file a new application under this subsection.

- (f) The budget agency, after review by the budget committee, shall approve a county's application for reimbursement if the budget agency determines that the county has purchased a voting system to comply with Section 102 of HAVA and is eligible for reimbursement under this section.
- (g) The budget agency, after review by the budget committee, shall approve a county's application for disbursement of voting systems to the county if the budget agency determines that the county is entitled to receive voting systems under this section to comply with Section 102 of HAVA.
- (h) If a county's application for reimbursement is approved under this section, the secretary of state shall, subject to subsection (j), reimburse the county from the fund in an amount not more than the amount determined by STEP TWO of the following formula:

STEP ONE: Determine the number of precincts in the county that used a voting machine voting system or a punch card voting system at the November 7, 2000, general election.

STEP TWO: Multiply the number determined in STEP ONE by four thousand dollars (\$4,000).

- (i) If a county's application for reimbursement is approved under this section, the secretary of state shall, subject to subsection (j), furnish the county a number of voting systems acquired by the secretary of state determined by the secretary of state to be sufficient to replace the number of voting machine systems or punch card ballot voting systems used in the county as of November 7, 2000.
- (j) Payment of money from the fund under this section is subject to the availability of money in the fund and the requirements of this chapter and HAVA.

SECTION 136. IC 3-11-6.5-8, AS ADDED BY P.L.239-2001, SECTION 7, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 8. (a) This section applies to money received under Section 101 of HAVA (42 U.S.C. 15301) and deposited in the account established under section 2 of this chapter for those funds.

- (b) Money deposited in the account must be used in accordance with the requirements applicable under Section 101 of HAVA (42 U.S.C. 15301).
 - (c) The money may be used for the following purposes:
 - (1) By the secretary of state for any purpose authorized by this title and permitted under 42 U.S.C. 15301.
 - (2) To reimburse counties for the purchase of new voting systems eligible for reimbursement under section 7.1 of this chapter, to the extent that money received and deposited under section 7.1 of this chapter is insufficient to replace all voting machine systems and punch card voting systems in Indiana.
 - (3) To reimburse counties for the upgrade or expansion of

1 existing voting systems to comply with HAVA. 2 (d) As permitted under 42 U.S.C. 15301, a county may apply to 3 receive reimbursement under subsection (c). 4 (e) To receive payment for the development and implementation of 5 a program for educating voters about voting procedures, reimbursement under this section, a county must make an application 6 to the budget agency in the form required by the budget agency. If the 7 county filed an application under section 3 of this chapter not later 8 9 than January 31, 2003: (1) the application may be amended to comply with this 10 chapter; or 11 12 (2) the county may file a new application under this section. (b) (f) The budget agency, after review by the budget committee, 13 shall approve a county's application for payment reimbursement under 14 this chapter section if the county's application demonstrates to the 15 budget agency all of the following: 16 17 (1) That the county has developed a program for educating voters about the use of the county's voting system. 18 19 (2) That the commission has approved the program and the county's implementation plan for the program. 20 21 (3) That the program will enhance all of the following: 22 (A) Familiarity of voters with the county's voting system. 23 (B) Accessibility of the county's voting system to voters. 24 (C) Ease of use of the county's voting system by voters. 25 (D) Public confidence in the county's voting system. determines that the application complies with the requirements for 26 27 reimbursement under subsection (c)(2) or (c)(3). (c) (g) If a county's application is approved under this section, 28 29 subsection (c)(2), the division secretary of state shall, subject to subsection (d), (i), pay the county from the voting system education 30 31 fund an amount equal to fifty percent (50%) of the amount of reasonable development and implementation costs of the county's 32 program for educating voters about voting procedures, as determined 33 by the budget agency. not more than the amount determined by 34 STEP TWO of the following formula: 35 STEP ONE: Determine the number of precincts in the county 36 that used a voting machine voting system or a punch card 37 voting system at the November 7, 2000, general election that 38 cannot be replaced with funds available under section 7.1 of 39 this chapter. 40 41 STEP TWO: Multiply the number determined in STEP ONE by four thousand dollars (\$4,000). 42 43 (h) If a county's application is approved under subsection (c)(3), the secretary of state shall, subject to subsection (i), pay the county 44 45 from the fund in an amount equal to fifty percent (50%) of the purchase price of the upgrade or expansion of an existing voting 46 47 system. 48 (d) (i) Payment of money from the voting system education fund 49 under this section is subject to the availability of money in the fund and

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the requirements of this chapter and HAVA.

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SECTION 137. IC 3-11-8-3.4 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: **Sec. 3.4.** (a) As authorized under 42 U.S.C. 15421, a county election board may apply on behalf of a county to the Secretary of Health and Human Services for payments under HAVA (42 U.S.C. 15421 through 15425) to do the following:

- (1) Make polling places (including the path of travel, entrances, exits, and voting areas of each polling place) more accessible to individuals with disabilities, including the blind and visually impaired, in a manner that provides the same opportunity for access and participation (including privacy and independence) as other voters.
- (2) Provide individuals with disabilities and other individuals described in subdivision (1) with information about the accessibility of polling places, including outreach programs to inform the individuals about the availability of accessible polling places and training election officials, poll workers, and election volunteers on how best to promote the access and participation of individuals with disabilities in elections.
- (b) If a county election board submits an application under subsection (a), the application must:
 - (1) comply with 42 U.S.C. 15423; and
 - (2) be filed with the election division not later than the submission of the application under subsection (a).
- (c) If a county election board receives payments from the Secretary of Health and Human Services under 42 U.S.C. 15421 through 15425, the payments shall be deposited in the county general fund and appropriated to the county election board for the purposes described in the application. The county election board shall spend the money for the purposes described in the application.
- (d) As required by 42 U.S.C. 15425, the county election board shall file a report with the Secretary of Health and Human Services regarding the activities conducted with these funds and the expenditures made with respect to the categories listed in subsection (a)(1) and (a)(2). The county election board shall file a copy of the report with the election division and the state board of accounts not later than the date the report is submitted under this subsection.

SECTION 138. IC 3-11-8-11 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 11. (a) When the hour for closing the polls occurs, the precinct election board shall permit all voters who:

- (1) have passed the challengers and who are waiting to announce their names to the poll clerks for the purpose of signing the poll list;
- (2) have signed the poll list but who have not voted; or
- 49 (3) are in the act of voting;
 - to vote. In addition, the inspector shall require all voters who have not

yet passed the challengers to line up in single file within the chute. The poll clerks shall record the names of the voters in the chute, and these voters may vote unless otherwise prevented according to law.

(b) This subsection applies:

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- (1) after December 31, 2003; and
- (2) if a court order (or other order) has been issued to extend the hours that the polls are open under section 8 of this chapter.

As provided in 42 U.S.C. 15482, the inspector shall identify the voters who would not otherwise be eligible to vote after the closing of the polls under subsection (a), and shall provide a provisional ballot to the voter in accordance with IC 3-11.7.

SECTION 139. IC 3-11-8-15, AS AMENDED BY P.L.38-1999, SECTION 43, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 15. (a) Persons other than:

- (1) members of a precinct election board;
- (2) poll clerks and assistant poll clerks;
- (3) election sheriffs;
- (4) deputy election commissioners;
- (5) pollbook holders;
- (6) watchers; and
 - (7) minor children accompanying voters as provided under IC 3-11-11-8 and IC 3-11-12-29; and
 - (8) an assistant to a precinct election officer appointed under IC 3-6-6-39;

are not permitted in the polls during an election except for the purpose of voting.

- (b) This subsection applies to a simulated election for minors conducted with the authorization of the county election board. An individual participating in the simulated election may be in the polls for the purpose of voting. A person supervising the simulated election may be in the polls to perform the supervision.
- (c) The inspector of a precinct has authority over all simulated election activities conducted under subsection (b) and shall ensure that the simulated election activities do not interfere with the election conducted in that polling place.

SECTION 140. IC 3-11-8-22, AS AMENDED BY P.L.126-2002, SECTION 59, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 22. (a) A voter challenged under section 20 of this chapter may vote if the voter makes an affidavit in writing that the voter is a legal voter of the precinct under section 23 of this chapter and either of the following applies:

- (1) The voter's name appears on the registration list.
- (2) The voter does one (1) of the following:
 - (A) Produces a certificate of error issued by a registration official of the county in accordance with IC 3-7-48 showing that the voter is registered in the precinct where the voter resides and offers to vote.
- (B) Produces an affidavit executed under IC 3-10-10 or IC 3-10-11 if the voter executed an affidavit under those

1 provisions. 2 (C) Makes an oral or a written affirmation under IC 3-10-12. 3 (b) After December 31, 2003, a voter challenged under section 20 4 of this chapter: 5 (1) whose name does not appear on the registration list; and (2) who is not permitted to cast a vote under IC 3-7-48-1, 6 IC 3-7-48-5, IC 3-7-48-7, IC 3-10-10, IC 3-10-11-2, or 7 8 IC 3-10-12; 9 is entitled to cast a provisional ballot under IC 3-11.7 if the voter 10 makes an affidavit in writing that the voter is a legal voter of the precinct. 11 12 SECTION 141. IC 3-11-8-23, AS AMENDED BY P.L.126-2002, SECTION 60, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE 13 JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 23. The affidavit of a challenged voter required by 14 section 22 of this chapter must be sworn and affirmed and must contain 15 the following: 16 (1) A statement that the voter is a citizen of the United States. 17 (2) The voter's date of birth to the best of the voter's information 18 19 and belief. (3) A statement that the voter has been a resident of the precinct 20 21 for thirty (30) days immediately before this election or is qualified to vote in the precinct under IC 3-10-10, IC 3-10-11, or 22 23 IC 3-10-12. 24 (4) The voter's name and a statement that the voter is generally 25 known by that name. (5) A statement that the voter has not voted and will not vote in 26 any other precinct in this election. 27 28 (6) The voter's occupation. 29 (7) The voter's current residential address, including the street or 30 number and if applicable, the voter's residential address thirty (30) days before the election, and the date the voter moved. 31 (8) A statement that the voter understands that making a false 32 33 statement on the affidavit is punishable under the penalties of 34 perjury. (9) After December 31, 2003, if the individual's name does not 35 appear on the registration list and the individual is not entitled to 36 37 vote under IC 3-7-48-1, IC 3-7-48-5, IC 3-7-48-7, IC 3-10-10, IC 3-10-11-2, or IC 3-10-12, a statement that the individual 38 39 registered to vote and where the individual believes the individual registered to vote during the registration period described by: 40 41 (A) IC 3-7-13-10; or (B) IC 3-7-36-11, if the voter registered under that section. 42 43 SECTION 142. IC 3-11-8-23.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS 44 45 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 23.5. (a) This section applies after December 31, 2003. 46 (b) In accordance with 42 U.S.C. 15482, a voter challenged 47 under section 21 of this chapter is entitled to cast a provisional 48

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ballot under IC 3-11.7 after executing the affidavit under section

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23 of this chapter.

SECTION 143. IC 3-11-8-25, AS AMENDED BY P.L.199-2001, SECTION 21, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 25. (a) After a voter has passed the challengers or has been sworn in, the voter shall be admitted to the polls. Upon entering the polls, the voter shall announce the voter's name to the poll clerks or assistant poll clerks. A poll clerk, an assistant poll clerk, or a member of the precinct election board shall require the voter to write the following on the poll list:

(1) The voter's name.

- (2) The voter's current residence address.
- (b) The poll clerk, an assistant poll clerk, or a member of the precinct election board shall:
 - (1) ask the voter to provide the voter's voter identification number:
 - (2) tell the voter the number the voter may use as a voter identification number; and
 - (3) explain to the voter that the voter is not required to provide a voter identification number at the polls.
- (c) This subsection applies after December 31, 2003. The poll clerk or assistant poll clerk shall examine the list provided under IC 3-7-29-1 or IC 3-11-3-18 to determine if the county election board has indicated that the voter is required to provide additional personal identification under 42 U.S.C. 15483 and IC 3-7-33-4.5 before voting in person. If the list (or a certification concerning absentee voters under IC 3-11-10-12) indicates that the voter is required to present this identification before voting in person, the poll clerk shall advise the voter that the voter must present a piece of identification described in subsection (d) to the poll clerk.
- (d) This subsection applies after December 31, 2003. As required by 42 U.S.C. 15483, a voter described by IC 3-7-33-4.5 who has not complied with IC 3-7-33-4.5 before appearing at the polls on election day must present one (1) of the following documents to the poll clerk:
 - (1) a current and valid photo identification; or
 - (2) a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, or government document that shows the name and address of the voter.
- (e) This subsection applies after December 31, 2003. If a voter presents a document under subsection (d), the poll clerk shall add a notation to the list indicating the type of document presented by the voter. The election division shall prescribe a standardized coding system to classify documents presented under this subsection for entry into the county voter registration system.
- (f) This subsection applies after December 31, 2003. If a voter required to present documentation under subsection (d) is unable to present the documentation to the poll clerk while present in the polls, the poll clerk shall notify the precinct election board. The board shall provide a provisional ballot to the voter under IC 3-11.7-2.
 - (g) This subsection applies after December 31, 2003. The

precinct election board shall advise the voter that the voter may file a copy of the documentation with the county voter registration office to permit the provisional ballot to be counted under IC 3-11.7.

- **(h)** This subsection does not apply to a precinct in a county with a computerized registration system whose inspector was:
 - (1) furnished with a list certified under IC 3-7-29; and
 - (2) not furnished with a certified photocopy of the signature on the affidavit of registration of each voter of the precinct for the comparison of signatures under this section.

In case of doubt concerning a voter's identity, the precinct election board shall compare the voter's signature with the signature on the affidavit of registration or any certified copy of the signature provided under IC 3-7-29. If the board determines that the voter's signature is authentic, the voter may then vote. If either poll clerk doubts the voter's identity following comparison of the signatures the poll clerk shall challenge the voter in the manner prescribed by section 21 of this chapter.

- (d) (i) If, in a precinct governed by subsection (e): (h):
 - (1) the poll clerk does not execute a challenger's affidavit; or
 - (2) the voter executes a challenged voter's affidavit under section 22 of this chapter or had executed the affidavit before signing the poll list;

the voter may then vote.

- (j) This section expires January 1, 2006.
- SECTION 144. IC 3-11-8-25.1 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: **Sec. 25.1. (a) This section applies after December 31, 2005.**
- (b) After a voter has passed the challengers or has been sworn in, the voter shall be admitted to the polls. Upon entering the polls, the voter shall announce the voter's name to the poll clerks or assistant poll clerks. A poll clerk, an assistant poll clerk, or a member of the precinct election board shall require the voter to write the following on the poll list:
 - (1) The voter's name.
 - (2) The voter's current residence address.
- (c) The poll clerk, an assistant poll clerk, or a member of the precinct election board shall:
 - (1) ask the voter to provide, update, or confirm the voter's voter identification number;
 - (2) tell the voter the number the voter may use as a voter identification number; and
 - (3) explain to the voter that the voter is not required to provide, update, or confirm a voter identification number at the polls.
- (d) In case of doubt concerning a voter's identity, the precinct election board shall compare the voter's signature with the signature on the affidavit of registration or any certified copy of the signature provided under IC 3-7-29. If the board determines

that the voter's signature is authentic, the voter may then vote. If either poll clerk doubts the voter's identity following comparison of the signatures, the poll clerk shall challenge the voter in the manner prescribed by section 21 of this chapter.

- (e) If, in a precinct governed by subsection (c):
 - (1) the poll clerk does not execute a challenger's affidavit; or
 - (2) the voter executes a challenged voter's affidavit under section 22 of this chapter or had executed the affidavit before signing the poll list;

the voter may then vote.

SECTION 145. IC 3-11-8-25.5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 25.5. If an individual signs the individual's name and address on the poll list under section 25 of this chapter and then leaves the polls without casting a ballot or after casting a provisional ballot, the voter may not be permitted to reenter the polls to cast a ballot at the election.

SECTION 146. IC 3-11-8-26, AS AMENDED BY P.L.199-2001, SECTION 22, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 26. (a) If a voter:

- (1) cannot sign; or
- (2) is a voter with a disability that makes it difficult for the voter to sign;

the voter's name and address, the poll clerks shall, by proper interrogation, satisfy themselves that the voter is the person the voter represents the voter to be.

- (b) If satisfied as to the voter's identity under subsection (a), one (1) of the poll clerks shall then place the following on the poll list:
 - (1) The voter's name.
 - (2) The voter's current residence address.
 - (c) The poll clerks shall:
 - (1) ask the voter to provide the voter's voter identification number;
 - (2) tell the voter the number the voter may use as a voter identification number; and
 - (3) explain to the voter that the voter is not required to provide a voter identification number at the polls.
- (d) The poll clerk shall then add the clerk's initials in parentheses, after or under the signature. The voter then may vote.
 - (e) This section expires January 1, 2006.

SECTION 147. IC 3-11-8-26.1 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: **Sec. 26.1.** (a) **This section applies after December 31, 2005.**

- (b) If a voter:
 - (1) cannot sign; or
 - (2) is a voter with a disability that makes it difficult for the voter to sign;

the voter's name and address, the poll clerks shall, by proper interrogation, satisfy themselves that the voter is the person the voter represents the voter to be.

- (c) If satisfied as to the voter's identity under subsection (b), one (1) of the poll clerks shall then place the following on the poll list:
 - (1) The voter's name.

- (2) The voter's current residence address.
- (d) The poll clerks shall:
 - (1) ask the voter to provide, update, or confirm the voter's voter identification number;
 - (2) tell the voter the number the voter may use as a voter identification number; and
 - (3) explain to the voter that the voter is not required to provide, update, or confirm a voter identification number at the polls.
- (e) The poll clerk shall then add the clerk's initials in parentheses, after or under the signature. The voter then may vote. SECTION 148. IC 3-11-8-27.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2004]: Sec. 27.5. (a) This section applies after December 31, 2003.
- (b) In accordance with 42 U.S.C. 15482, a voter challenged under section 27 of this chapter is entitled to cast a provisional ballot under IC 3-11.7 after executing the affidavit under section 23 of this chapter.

SECTION 149. IC 3-11-10-4.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: **Sec. 4.5.** (a) **This section applies after December 31, 2003.**

- (b) Upon receipt of an absentee ballot from a voter required to provide additional information to the county voter registration office under IC 3-7-33-4.5, the county election board shall contact the county voter registration office to determine if the additional information has been filed with the office by the voter.
- (c) If the voter has filed the information with the county voter registration office, the county election board shall add a notation to the application indicating that the required information has been filed and that the absentee ballot may be counted if the ballot otherwise complies with this article.
- (d) If the voter has not filed the information with the county voter registration office, the county election board shall add a notation on the application filed by a voter described under subsection (c) and on the envelope provided under this chapter reading substantially as follows:

"INSPECTOR: AS OF (insert date absentee ballot application approved) THIS VOTER WAS REQUIRED TO FILE ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION WITH COUNTY VOTER REGISTRATION OFFICE BEFORE THIS BALLOT MAY BE COUNTED. CHECK THE POLL LIST AND COUNTY ELECTION BOARD CERTIFICATION TO SEE IF THE VOTER HAS FILED THIS INFORMATION. IF NOT, PROCESS AS A PROVISIONAL BALLOT IF THIS BALLOT OTHERWISE COMPLIES WITH INDIANA LAW.".

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SECTION 150. IC 3-11-10-11 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 11. (a) On election day each circuit court clerk (or an agent of the clerk) shall visit the appropriate post office to accept delivery of absentee envelopes at the latest possible time that will permit delivery of the ballots to the appropriate precinct election boards before 6 p.m.

(b) This subsection applies after December 31, 2003. Not later than noon on election day, the county voter registration office shall visit the appropriate post office to accept delivery of mail containing documentation submitted by a voter to comply with IC 3-7-33-4.5. The office shall immediately notify the county election board regarding the filing of this documentation to permit the board to provide certification of this filing to the appropriate precinct election boards before 6 p.m.

SECTION 151. IC 3-11-10-12 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 12. (a) Each county election board shall have all absentee ballots delivered to the precinct election boards at their respective polls on election day.

- (b) The absentee ballots shall be delivered during the hours that the polls are open and in sufficient time to enable the precinct election boards to vote the ballots during the time the polls are open.
- (c) This subsection applies after December 31, 2003. Along with the absentee ballots delivered to the precinct election boards under subsection (a), each county election board shall provide a list certified by the circuit court clerk. This list must state the name of each voter subject to IC 3-7-33-4.5 who:
 - (1) filed the documentation required by that section with the county voter registration office after the printing of the certified list under IC 3-7-29 or the poll list under IC 3-11-3-18; and
 - (2) as a result, is entitled to have the voter's absentee ballot counted if the ballot otherwise complies with this title.
- (d) This subsection applies after December 31, 2003. If the county election board is notified not later than 3 p.m. on election day by the county voter registration office that a voter subject to IC 3-7-33-4.5 and not identified in the list certified under subsection (c) has filed documentation with the office that complies with IC 3-7-33-4.5, the county election board shall transmit a supplemental certified list to the appropriate precinct election board. If the board determines that the supplemental list may not be received before the closing of the polls, the board shall:
 - (1) attempt to contact the precinct election board to inform the board regarding the content of the supplemental list; and
 - (2) file a copy of the supplemental list for that precinct as part of the permanent records of the board.
- **(e)** This subsection applies to a special write-in absentee ballot described in:
 - (1) 42 U.S.C. 1973ff for federal offices; and
- (2) IC 3-11-4-12(d) for state offices.
- If the county election board receives both a special write-in absentee

ballot and the regular absentee ballot described by IC 3-11-4-12 from the same voter, the county election board shall reject the special write-in ballot and deliver only the regular absentee ballot to the precinct election board.

SECTION 152. IC 3-11-10-16, AS AMENDED BY P.L.126-2002, SECTION 68, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 16. (a) If the inspector finds under section 15 of this chapter that:

- (1) the affidavit is properly executed;
- (2) the signatures correspond;

- (3) the absentee voter is a qualified voter of the precinct;
- (4) the absentee voter is registered and after December 31, 2003, is not required to file additional information with the county voter registration office under IC 3-7-33-4.5;
- (5) the absentee voter has not voted in person at the election; and
- (6) in case of a primary election, if the absentee voter has not previously voted, the absentee voter has executed the proper declaration relative to age and qualifications and the political party with which the absentee voter intends to affiliate;

then the inspector shall open the envelope containing the absentee ballots so as not to deface or destroy the affidavit and take out each ballot enclosed without unfolding or permitting a ballot to be unfolded or examined.

- (b) The inspector shall then hand the ballots to the judges who shall deposit the ballots in the proper ballot box and enter the absentee voter's name on the poll list, as if the absentee voter had been present and voted in person. If the voter has registered and voted under IC 3-7-36-14, the inspector shall attach to the poll list the circuit court clerk's certification that the voter has registered.
- (c) If an absentee ballot is opened under this section in a precinct using voting machines, the precinct election board shall prepare certificates and memoranda under IC 3-12-2-6 that distinguish the votes cast by absentee ballots from votes cast on voting machines.

SECTION 153. IC 3-11-10-16.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: **Sec. 16.5. (a) This section applies after December 31, 2003.**

(b) If the inspector finds under section 16(a) of this chapter that the voter has not filed the additional information required to be filed with the county voter registration office under IC 3-7-33-4.5, but that all of the other findings listed under section 16(a) of this chapter apply, the inspector shall direct that the absentee ballot be processed as a provisional ballot under IC 3-11.7.

SECTION 154. IC 3-11-10-24.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: **Sec. 24.5.** (a) **This section applies after December 31, 2005.**

(b) As required by 42 U.S.C. 15481, an election board must establish a voter education program (specific to a paper ballot or optical scan ballot card provided as an absentee ballot under this

chapter) to notify a voter of the effect of casting multiple ballots for a single office.

SECTION 155. IC 3-11-10-25, AS AMENDED BY P.L.126-2002, SECTION 71, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 25. (a) A voter who votes by absentee ballot because of:

(1) illness or injury; or

- (2) caring for a confined person at a private residence; and who is within the county on election day may vote before an absentee voter board or by mail.
- (b) If requested by a voter described in subsection (a) or by a voter with disabilities whose precinct is not accessible to voters with disabilities, an absentee voter board shall visit the voter's place of confinement, the residence of the voter with disabilities, or the private residence:
 - (1) during the regular office hours of the circuit court clerk;
 - (2) at a time agreed to by the board and the voter;
 - (3) on any of the twelve (12) days immediately before election day; and
 - (4) only once before an election, unless:
 - (A) the confined voter is unavailable at the time of the board's first visit due to a medical emergency; or
 - (B) the board, in its discretion, decides to make an additional visit.
- (c) This subsection applies to a voter confined due to illness or injury. An absentee voter board may not be denied access to the voter's place of confinement if the board is present at the place of confinement at a time:
 - (1) agreed to by the board and the voter; and
 - (2) during the regular office hours of the circuit court clerk. A person who knowingly violates this subsection commits obstruction or interference with an election officer in the discharge of the officer's duty, a violation of IC 3-14-3-4.
- (d) The county election board, by unanimous vote of the board's entire membership, may authorize an absentee voter board to visit a voter who is confined due to illness or injury and will be outside of the county on election day in accordance with the procedures set forth in subsection (b).
- (e) This subsection applies after December 31, 2005. As provided by 42 U.S.C. 15481, a voter casting an absentee ballot under this section must be:
 - (1) permitted to verify in a private and independent manner the votes selected by the voter before the ballot is cast and counted:
 - (2) provided with the opportunity to change the ballot or correct any error in a private and independent manner before the ballot is cast and counted, including the opportunity to receive a replacement ballot if the voter is otherwise unable to change or correct the ballot; and
 - (3) notified before the ballot is cast regarding the effect of

casting multiple votes for the office, and provided an opportunity to correct the ballot before the ballot is cast and counted.

- (f) This subsection applies after December 31, 2005. As provided by 42 U.S.C. 15481, when an absentee ballot is provided under this section, the board must also provide the voter with:
 - (1) information concerning the effect of casting multiple votes for an office; and
 - (2) instructions on how to correct the ballot before the ballot is cast and counted, including the issuance of replacement ballots.

SECTION 156. IC 3-11-10-26, AS AMENDED BY P.L.126-2002, SECTION 72, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 26. (a) As an alternative to voting by mail, a voter is entitled to cast an absentee ballot before an absentee voter board:

- (1) in the office of the circuit court clerk; or
- (2) at a satellite office established under section 26.3 of this chapter.
- (b) The voter must sign an application on the form prescribed by the commission under IC 3-11-4-5.1 before being permitted to vote. The application must be received by the circuit court clerk not later than the time prescribed by IC 3-11-4-3.
- (c) The voter may vote before the board not more than twenty-nine (29) days nor later than noon on the day before election day.
- (d) The absentee voter board in the office of the circuit court clerk must permit voters to cast absentee ballots under this section for at least seven (7) hours on each of the two (2) Saturdays preceding election day.
- (e) Notwithstanding subsection (d), in a county with a population of less than twenty thousand (20,000), the absentee voter board in the office of the circuit court clerk, with the approval of the county election board, may reduce the number of hours available to cast absentee ballots under this section to a minimum of four (4) hours on each of the two (2) Saturdays preceding election day.
- (f) This subsection applies after December 31,2005. As provided by 42 U.S.C. 15481, a voter casting an absentee ballot under this section must be:
 - (1) permitted to verify in a private and independent manner the votes selected by the voter before the ballot is cast and counted;
 - (2) provided with the opportunity to change the ballot or correct any error in a private and independent manner before the ballot is cast and counted, including the opportunity to receive a replacement ballot if the voter is otherwise unable to change or correct the ballot; and
 - (3) notified before the ballot is cast regarding the effect of casting multiple votes for the office, and provided an opportunity to correct the ballot before the ballot is cast and counted.
 - (g) As provided by 42 U.S.C. 15481, when an absentee ballot is

provided under this section, the board must also provide the voter with:

- (1) information concerning the effect of casting multiple votes for an office: and
- (2) instructions on how to correct the ballot before the ballot is cast and counted, including the issuance of replacement ballots.

SECTION 157. IC 3-11-10-28 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 28. (a) A voter voting before an absentee voter board shall mark the voter's ballot in the presence of the board, but not in such a manner that either of the members of the board can see for whom the voter voted, unless the voter requests the help of the board in marking a ballot under IC 3-11-9.

- (b) The voter shall then, in the presence of the board, place the ballot in an envelope furnished by the county election board.
- (c) The circuit court clerk shall provide, to the extent practicable, the same degree of privacy to absentee voters voting at the office of the circuit court clerk as provided to voters at the polls on election day.
- (d) This subsection applies to a voter required to present additional information under IC 3-7-33-4.5. If the voter does not present the required additional information before receiving the absentee ballot, the absentee ballot shall be processed as a provisional ballot under IC 3-11.7.
- (e) Upon accepting the completed absentee ballot from the voter, the board shall provide the voter with a notice:
 - (1) listing the documentation the voter may submit to the county voter registration office to comply with IC 3-7-33-4.5;
 - (2) stating the address and hours of the county voter registration office.

SECTION 158. IC 3-11-10-35 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 35. (a) After December 31, 2003, this section does not apply to an absentee ballot required to be treated as a provisional ballot under IC 3-11.7.

(b) If an envelope containing an absentee ballot has not been opened before the close of the polls, then the envelope may not be opened without an order of a court.

SECTION 159. IC 3-11-11-1.2 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 1.2. (a) This section applies after December 31, 2005.

(b) As required by 42 U.S.C. 15481, an election board must establish a voter education program to notify a voter of the effect of casting multiple ballots for a single office on a paper ballot.

SECTION 160. IC 3-11-11-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 6. (a) After a voter has signed the poll list, one (1) of the poll clerks or assistant poll clerks shall deliver to the voter one (1) of each ballot that the voter is entitled to vote at the election and one (1) pencil or pen. Both judges, on

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request, shall give an explanation of the voting method. If necessary, a precinct election officer shall assist a voter in determining if the proper initials appear on a ballot.

- (b) This subsection applies after December 31, 2005. As provided by 42 U.S.C. 15481, when a voter receives a paper ballot under this section, the board must also provide the voter with:
 - (1) information concerning the effect of casting multiple votes for an office; and
 - (2) instructions on how to correct the ballot before the ballot is cast and counted, including the issuance of replacement ballots.

SECTION 161. IC 3-11-11-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 7. (a) This section is enacted to comply with 42 U.S.C. 15481 by establishing uniform and nondiscriminatory standards to define what constitutes a vote on a paper ballot.

- **(b)** After receiving ballots under section 6 of this chapter, a voter shall, without leaving the room, go alone into one (1) of the booths or compartments that is unoccupied and indicate:
 - (1) the candidates for whom the voter desires to vote by making a voting mark on or in the squares immediately before the candidates' names; and
 - (2) the voter's preference on each public question by making a voting mark in front of the word "yes" or "no" under the question. (b) (c) Write-in votes shall be cast by:
 - (1) making a voting mark on or in the square immediately before the space provided for write-in voting; and
 - (2) printing the name of the candidate in the space provided for write-in voting.

SECTION 162. IC 3-11-11-9 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 9. (a) A voter shall mark all ballots while screened from observation. The exterior of a voting booth or compartment and each area of the polls must be in plain view of the precinct election board. Each voting booth or compartment shall be placed so that a person voting on the opposite side of the railing or a person on the outside of the polls cannot see or determine how a voter votes. The inspector, judges, and poll clerks may not remain or allow any other person to remain in a position or near a position that would permit them to see or ascertain how a voter votes.

- (b) This subsection applies after December 31, 2005. As provided by 42 U.S.C. 15481, a voter casting a paper ballot under this section must be:
 - (1) permitted to verify in a private and an independent manner the votes selected by the voter before the ballot is cast and counted:
 - (2) provided with the opportunity to change the ballot or correct any error in a private and independent manner before the ballot is cast and counted, including the opportunity to receive a replacement ballot if the voter is otherwise unable to change or correct the ballot; and

(3) notified before the ballot is cast regarding the effect of casting multiple votes for the office, and provided an opportunity to correct the ballot before the ballot is cast and counted.

SECTION 163. IC 3-11-12-40 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: **Sec. 40. This chapter expires January 1, 2006.**

SECTION 164. IC 3-11-13-4.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: **Sec. 4.5.** (a) **This section applies after December 31, 2005.**

(b) As required by 42 U.S.C. 15481, an election board must establish a voter education program to notify a voter of the effect of casting multiple ballots for a single office on an optical scan ballot card tabulated at a central location.

SECTION 165. IC 3-11-13-18, AS AMENDED BY P.L.239-2001, SECTION 10, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 18. (a) This subsection does not apply to an optical scan voting system **and expires January 1, 2006.** Each ballot card provided under section 17 of this chapter must have two (2) attached perforated stubs on which is printed the same serial number. The top stub shall be bound or stapled in the package of ballot cards retained by the precinct election officers. The following information must be printed on the second stub:

- (1) The name of the political subdivision holding the election.
- (2) The designation of the election.
- (3) The date of the election.

- (4) The instructions to the voters.
- (5) In a primary election, the name of the political party.
- (b) The county election board in a county using a ballot card voting system shall provide ballot cards to the precinct election board that permit voters to cast write-in votes for each officer to be voted for at that election.
 - (c) The ballot cards provided under subsection (b) must be:
 - (1) designed to be folded; or
 - (2) accompanied by a secrecy envelope;

to ensure the secrecy of each of the votes cast by a voter.

(d) This subsection is enacted to comply with 42 U.S.C. 15481 by establishing uniform and nondiscriminatory standards to define what constitutes a vote on an optical scan voting system. A write-in vote shall be cast by printing the name of the candidate and the title of the office in the space provided for write-in votes on a ballot card or secrecy envelope.

SECTION 166. IC 3-11-13-20, AS AMENDED BY P.L.239-2001, SECTION 11, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 20. (a) This section does not apply to an optical scan voting system.

(b) Each county election board shall maintain a record of the serial numbers of all of the ballot cards provided to a precinct and shall note

in this record the precinct to which each ballot card relates.

(c) This section expires January 1, 2006.

SECTION 167. IC 3-11-13-28.5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.239-2001, SECTION 12, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 28.5. (a) Unless challenged, a voter may proceed to vote.

- (b) This subsection does not apply to an optical scan voting system. After a voter has signed the poll list, the poll clerk holding the ballot card shall remove the top stub, as described in section 18 of this chapter, and deliver to the voter one (1) of each ballot card that the voter is entitled to vote at the election. The top stub (and any second stub declined by the voter under section 33 of this chapter) shall be retained by the precinct election board and returned to the election board following the close of the polls.
- (c) As each successive voter calls for a ballot, the poll clerks shall deliver to the voter the first initialed ballot of each type. The inspector shall then deliver to the poll clerks another ballot of each type, which the clerks shall initial as before.
- (d) This subsection applies after December 31, 2005, to an optical scan ballot card ballot tabulated at a central location. As provided by 42 U.S.C. 15481, when a voter receives an optical scan ballot card ballot, the board must also provide the voter with:
 - (1) information concerning the effect of casting multiple votes for an office; and
 - (2) instructions on how to correct the ballot before the ballot is cast and counted, including the issuance of replacement ballots.

SECTION 168. IC 3-11-13-28.7, AS AMENDED BY P.L.176-1999, SECTION 87, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 28.7. (a) The two (2) poll clerks of each precinct shall place their initials in ink on the secrecy envelope of a ballot card (or on the fold-over part of a ballot card described in section 18(c)(1) of this chapter) at the time the card is issued to a voter. The initials must be in the poll clerk's ordinary handwriting or printing and without a distinguishing mark of any kind.

- (b) This subsection is enacted to comply with 42 U.S.C. 15481 by establishing uniform and nondiscriminatory standards to define what constitutes a vote on an optical scan voting system. A write-in vote cast on a secrecy envelope or fold-over envelope:
 - (1) is not valid unless:
 - (A) the secrecy envelope is initialed by both poll clerks; and
 - (B) the vote includes both the name of the write-in candidate and the office for which the write-in vote is cast; and
 - (2) makes the secrecy envelope or fold-over envelope a ballot for purposes of this title.

SECTION 169. IC 3-11-13-29 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 29. (a) In addition to the instructions printed on the ballot card or ballot labels, instructions to voters shall be posted in each voting booth or placed on the marking device. Each voter shall be instructed by both judges, on request, on

how to operate the voting device before the voter enters the voting

- (b) The instructions posted in the voting booth or placed on the marking device must state the following:
 - (1) That the voter should examine the ballot card to determine if it contains the initials of the poll clerks in ink on the back of the card.
 - (2) That the voter should not make an unnecessary mark or punch on the ballot card because the mark or punch may void the card.
 - (3) That the voter should examine the ballot card to determine if the card has any mark (other than the initials of the poll clerks) before voting.
 - (4) That the voter should return the ballot card to the poll clerks and request another ballot card if:
 - (A) the poll clerks' initials have not been properly placed on the card;
 - (B) the card has a mark (other than the initials of the poll clerks) before the voter places a voting mark on the ballot; or (C) the voter has improperly marked or punched the card.
 - (5) That the voter should examine the ballot card after voting to determine that all marks or punches made on the card to indicate the voter's selections have been completely marked or punched.
- (c) This subsection applies after December 31, 2005. As provided by 42 U.S.C. 15481, a voter casting an optical scan ballot card under this section must be:
 - (1) permitted to verify in a private and an independent manner the votes selected by the voter before the ballot is cast and counted:
 - (2) provided with the opportunity to change the ballot or correct any error in a private and independent manner before the ballot is cast and counted, including the opportunity to receive a replacement ballot if the voter is otherwise unable to change or correct the ballot; and
 - (3) notified before the ballot is cast regarding the effect of casting multiple votes for the office, and provided an opportunity to correct the ballot before the ballot is cast and counted.

SECTION 170. IC 3-11-13-31.7, AS AMENDED BY P.L. 176-1999, SECTION 89, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 31.7. (a) This section is enacted to comply with 42 U.S.C. 15481 by establishing uniform and nondiscriminatory standards to define what constitutes a vote on an optical scan voting system.

- **(b)** After receiving ballot cards, a voter shall, without leaving the room, go alone into one (1) of the booths or compartments that is unoccupied and indicate:
 - (1) the candidates for whom the voter desires to vote by punching a hole in or marking the squares immediately beside the candidates' names; and
 - (2) the voter's preference on each public question by punching a

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hole in or marking the square beside the word "yes" or "no" under the question.

(b) (c) If an election is a general or municipal election and a voter desires to vote for all the candidates of one (1) political party or group of petitioners, the voter may punch a hole in or mark the circle enclosing the device and beside the name under which the candidates of the party or group of petitioners are printed. The voter's vote shall then be counted for all the candidates under that name. However, if the voter punches a hole in or marks the circle of an independent ticket comprised of two (2) candidates, the vote shall not be counted for any other independent candidate on the ballot.

SECTION 171. IC 3-11-14-23 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 23. (a) This section is enacted to comply with 42 U.S.C. 15481 by establishing uniform and nondiscriminatory standards to define what constitutes a vote on an electronic voting system.

- (b) If a voter is not challenged by a member of the precinct election board, the voter may pass the railing to the side where an electronic voting system is and into the voting booth. There the voter shall register the voter's vote in secret by indicating:
 - (1) the candidates for whom the voter desires to vote by touching a device on or in the squares immediately above the candidates' names:
 - (2) if the voter intends to cast a write-in vote, a write-in vote by touching a device on or in the square immediately below the candidates' names and printing the name of the candidate in the window provided for write-in voting; and
 - (3) the voter's preference on each public question by touching a device above the word "yes" or "no" under the question.
- (b) (c) If an election is a general or municipal election and a voter desires to vote for all the candidates of one (1) political party or group of petitioners, the voter may cast a straight party ticket by touching that party's device. The voter's vote shall then be counted for all the candidates under that name. However, if the voter casts a vote by touching the circle of an independent ticket comprised of two (2) candidates, the vote shall not be counted for any other independent candidate on the ballot.
- (d) As provided by 42 U.S.C. 15481, a voter casting a ballot on an electronic voting system must be:
 - (1) permitted to verify in a private and an independent manner the votes selected by the voter before the ballot is cast and counted;
 - (2) provided with the opportunity to change the ballot or correct any error in a private and independent manner before the ballot is cast and counted, including the opportunity to receive a replacement ballot if the voter is otherwise unable to change or correct the ballot; and
 - (3) notified before the ballot is cast regarding the effect of casting multiple votes for the office, and provided an opportunity to correct the ballot before the ballot is cast and

counted.

SECTION 172. IC 3-11-15-13, AS AMENDED BY P.L.126-2002, SECTION 74, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 13. (a) Except as provided in this chapter, to be approved **by the commission** for use in Indiana, a voting system shall meet the standards established by the Performance and Test Voting System Standards for Punchcard, Marksense, and Direct Recording Electronic Voting Systems issued adopted by the Federal Election Commission on January 25, 1990. April 30, 2002.

- (b) The commission may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to require a voting system to meet standards more recent than standards described in subsection (a). If the commission adopts rules under this subsection, a voting system must meet the standards described in the rules instead of the standards described in subsection (a).
 - (c) This section expires January 1, 2006.

SECTION 173. IC 3-11-15-13.1 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: **Sec. 13.1. (a) This section applies after December 31, 2005.**

- (b) To be approved by the commission for use in Indiana, a voting system must meet the Voting System Standards adopted by the Federal Election Commission on April 30, 2002.
- (c) The commission may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to require a voting system to meet standards more recent than standards described in subsection (b). If the commission adopts rules under this subsection, a voting system must meet the standards described in the rules instead of the standards described in subsection (b).
- (d) As provided by 42 U.S.C. 15481, to be used in an election in Indiana, a voting system must be accessible for individuals with disabilities, including nonvisual accessibility for the blind and visually impaired, in a manner that provides the same opportunity for access and participation (including privacy and independence) as for other voters.
- (e) As provided by 42 U.S.C. 15481, an election board conducting an election satisfies the requirements of subsection (d) if the election board provides at least one (1) electronic voting system or other voting system equipped for individuals with disabilities at each polling place.

SECTION 174. IC 3-11-15-13.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: **Sec. 13.5.** (a) This section only applies to a voting system purchased with funds made available under Title II of HAVA (42 U.S.C. 15321 through 15472) after December 31, 2006.

- (b) As required by 42 U.S.C. 15481, the voting system must comply with the voting system standards for disability access set forth in section 13.1 of this chapter and 42 U.S.C. 15481(a)(3) to be used in an election.
- SECTION 175. IC 3-11-15-20 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 20. (a) A voting system

must be able to record accurately each vote and be able to produce an accurate report of all votes cast.

- (b) As used in this subsection, "error rate" refers to the error rate of the voting system in counting ballots (determined by taking into account only those errors which are attributable to the voting system and not attributable to an act of the voter). As required by 42 U.S.C. 15481, a voting system must comply with the error rate standards established under section 3.2.1. of the Voting System Standards approved by the Federal Election Commission on April 30, 2002, as those standards were in effect on October 29, 2002.
- (c) The inclusion of control logic and data processing methods incorporating parity and check-sums (or equivalent error detection and correction methods) must demonstrate that the system has been designed for accuracy.

SECTION 176. IC 3-11-15-32 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 32. In considering the compliance of a voting system with this chapter, the commission may determine whether the system conforms with other preferred coding practices and software characteristics set forth in Appendix E of the Performance and Test Standards for Punchcard, Marksense, and Direct Recording Electronic Voting Systems. the Voting System Standards adopted by the Federal Election Commission on April 30, 2002.

SECTION 177. IC 3-11-15-43 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 43. (a) The audit record provisions in this chapter are essential to the complete recording of election operations and reporting of the vote tally. This list of audit records must reflect all of the idiosyncrasies of a system.

- (b) As required by 42 U.S.C. 15481, the voting system must:
 - (1) produce a permanent paper record with a manual audit capacity for the system; and
 - (2) provide the voter with an opportunity to change the ballot or correct any error before the permanent paper record is produced.
- (c) The paper record produced under subsection (b) must be made available as an official record for a recount or contest conducted with respect to any election in which the voting system was used.

SECTION 178. IC 3-11.5-4-12 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 12. (a) If the absentee ballot counters find under section 11 of this chapter that:

- (1) the affidavit is properly executed;
- (2) the signatures correspond;
- (3) the absentee voter is a qualified voter of the precinct;
- (4) the absentee voter is registered and after December 31, 2003, is not required to file additional information with the county voter registration office under IC 3-7-33-4.5;
- (5) the absentee voter has not voted in person at the election; and
- (6) in case of a primary election, if the absentee voter has not previously voted, the absentee voter has executed the proper declaration relative to age and qualifications and the political

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85 1 party with which the absentee voter intends to affiliate; 2 the absentee ballot counters shall open the envelope containing the 3 absentee ballots so as not to deface or destroy the affidavit and take out each ballot enclosed without unfolding or permitting a ballot to be 4 5 unfolded or examined. (b) This subsection applies after December 31, 2003. If the 6 absentee ballot counters find under subsection (a) that the voter 7 8 has not filed the additional information required to be filed with 9 the county voter registration office under IC 3-7-33-4.5, but that all of the other findings listed under subsection (a) apply, the absentee 10 ballot shall be processed as a provisional ballot under IC 3-11.7. 11 12 (c) The absentee ballot counters shall then deposit the ballots in a secure envelope with the name of the precinct set forth on the outside 13 of the envelope. After the absentee ballot counters or the county 14 election board has made the findings described in subsection (a) or 15 section 13 of this chapter for all absentee ballots of the precinct, the 16 absentee ballot counters shall remove all the ballots deposited in the 17 envelope under this section for counting under IC 3-11.5-5 or 18 IC 3-11.5-6. 19 20 SECTION 179. IC 3-11.7-1-5, AS ADDED BY P.L.126-2002, 21 SECTION 87, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 5. (a) Provisional ballots for: 22 23 (1) Electors for President and Vice President of the United 24 States: 25 (2) United States Senator; (3) United States Representative; 26 27 (4) all state offices; and (5) the ratification or rejection of a public question to be voted for 28 by the electorate of the entire state or for the retention of a judge 29 30

- of the Indiana supreme court or the Indiana court of appeals;
- shall be prepared and printed under the direction of the election division.
- (b) The election division shall have the ballots printed upon certification of the political party tickets, and independent candidates, and public questions.
- (c) Ballots prepared under this section must provide space for the provisional voter to cast a write-in ballot for each office.
- (d) The provisional ballots that are prepared and printed under this section shall be delivered to the circuit court clerk or the clerk's authorized deputy not later than forty-five (45) days before a general election or twenty-nine (29) days before a special election. The provisional ballots shall be delivered in the same manner that other official ballots are delivered.

SECTION 180. IC 3-11.7-2-1, AS ADDED BY P.L.126-2002, SECTION 87, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 1. (a) As provided by 42 U.S.C. 15482, this section applies to the following individuals:

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(1) (A) whose name does not appear on the registration list; and

86 1 (2) (B) who is not permitted to vote under IC 3-7-48-1, IC 3-7-48-5, IC 3-7-48-7, IC 3-10-10, IC 3-10-11-2, or 2 3 IC 3-10-12. 4 (2) An individual described by IC 3-10-1-10.5, IC 3-11-8-23.5, 5 or IC 3-11-8-27.5 who is challenged as not eligible to vote. 6 (3) An individual who seeks to vote in an election as a result 7 of a court order (or any other order) extending the time established for closing the polls under IC 3-11-8-8. 8 (b) This subsection applies after December 31, 2003. As required 9 10 by 42 U.S.C. 15483, a voter who has registered to vote but has not: (1) presented identification required under 42 U.S.C. 15483 to 11 12 the poll clerk before voting in person under IC 3-11-8-25; or (2) filed a copy of the identification required under 42 U.S.C. 13 14 15483 to the county voter registration office before the voter's absentee ballot is cast; 15 16 is entitled to vote a provisional ballot under this article. (c) A precinct election officer shall inform an individual 17 18 described by subsection (a)(1) or (a)(2) that the individual may cast 19 a provisional ballot if the individual: 20 (1) is eligible to vote under IC 3-7-13-1; (2) submitted a voter registration application during the 21 22 registration period described by IC 3-7-13-10 (or 23 IC 3-7-36-11, if the voter registered under that section); and (3) executes an affidavit described in IC 3-10-1-9 or 24 IC 3-11-8-23. 25 (d) A precinct election officer shall inform an individual 26

(d) A precinct election officer shall inform an individual described by subsection (a)(3) that the individual may cast a provisional ballot.

SECTION 181. IC 3-11.7-2-2, AS ADDED BY P.L.126-2002, SECTION 87, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 2. (a) A provisional voter shall do the following:

- (1) Mark the ballot in the presence of no other person, unless the voter requests help in marking a ballot under IC 3-11-9.
- (2) Fold each ballot separately.

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- (3) Fold each ballot so as to conceal the marking.
- (4) Enclose each ballot, with the seal and signature of the circuit court clerk on the outside, together with any unused ballot, in the envelope provided by the county election board under IC 3-11.7-1-8.
- (5) Securely seal the envelope.
- (b) A provisional voter may mark a ballot with a pen or a lead pencil.
- (c) This subsection applies to a provisional voter described in section 1(a)(1), 1(a)(2), or 1(a)(3) of this chapter. As provided by 42 U.S.C. 15482, a precinct election officer shall give the provisional voter a copy of the written instructions prescribed by the county election board under IC 3-11.7-6-3 after the voter returns the envelope containing the provisional voter's ballots.

SECTION 182. IC 3-11.7-2-3, AS ADDED BY P.L.126-2002, SECTION 87, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE

JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 3. (a) The precinct election board shall affix to the envelope the challenger's affidavit and the affidavit executed by the provisional voter under section 1 of this chapter.

- (b) Except as provided in subsection (c) and in accordance with 42 U.S.C. 15482, the precinct election board shall securely keep the sealed envelope, along with the affidavits affixed to the envelope, in another envelope or container marked "Provisional Ballots".
- (c) This subsection applies to the sealed envelope and the affidavits affixed to the envelope of a provisional voter described in section 1(a)(3) of this chapter. As required by 42 U.S.C. 15482, the precinct election board shall keep the sealed envelope or container different from the envelope or described in subsection (b). The envelope or container described in this subsection must be labeled "Provisional Ballots Issued After Regular Poll Closing Hours".

SECTION 183. IC 3-11.7-2-4, AS ADDED BY P.L.126-2002, SECTION 87, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 4. **As required by 42 U.S.C. 15482**, at the close of the polls, the precinct election board shall **do the following:**

(1) Seal:

- (1) (A) all the provisional ballots; and
- (2) (**B**) any spoiled provisional ballots;

of provisional voters other than provisional voters described in section 1(a)(3) of this chapter in the container described in section 3(b) of this chapter and mark on the container the number of provisional ballots contained.

- (2) **Seal:**
 - (A) all the provisional ballots; and
 - (B) any spoiled provisional ballots;

of provisional voters described in section 1(a)(3) of this chapter in the container described in section 1(a)(3) of this chapter and mark on the container the number of provisional ballots contained.

The inspector shall return the container with all the provisional ballots to the circuit court clerk after the close of the polls.

SECTION 184. IC 3-11.7-3-5, AS ADDED BY P.L.126-2002, SECTION 87, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 5. If a county chairman fails to make any recommendations **not later than the deadline specified under section 4 of this chapter,** the county election board may appoint any voters of the county.

SECTION 185. IC 3-11.7-5-2, AS ADDED BY P.L.126-2002, SECTION 87, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 2. (a) Except as provided in section 5 of this chapter, if the county election board determines that all the following apply, a provisional ballot is valid and shall be counted under this chapter:

- (1) The affidavit executed by the provisional voter under IC 3-11.7-2-1 is properly executed.
- (2) The provisional voter is a qualified voter of the precinct.

- (3) Based on all the information available to the county election board, including:
 - (A) information provided by the provisional voter;

- (B) information contained in the county's voter registration records; and
- (C) information contained in the statewide voter registration file;

the provisional voter registered to vote at a registration agency under this article on a date within the registration period.

- (b) If the provisional voter has provided information regarding the registration agency where the provisional voter registered to vote, the board may not determine that the provisional voter did not register unless both of the following apply:
 - (1) The board makes an actual inquiry of the registration agency where the provisional voter states the provisional voter registered.
 - (2) The registration agency informs the board that the registration agency has no record of the provisional voter's registration.

shall promptly make an inquiry to the agency regarding the alleged registration. The agency shall respond to the board not later than noon of the first Friday after the election indicating whether the agency's records contain any information regarding the registration. If the agency does not respond to the board's inquiry, or if the agency responds that the agency has no record of the alleged registration, the board shall reject the provisional ballot. The board shall endorse the ballot with the word "Rejected" and document on the inquiry and response, if any, by the agency.

(c) This subsection applies after December 31, 2003. Except as provided in section 5 of this chapter, a provisional ballot cast by a voter described in IC 3-11.7-2-1(b) is valid and shall be counted if the county election board determines under this article that the voter filed the documentation required under IC 3-7-33-4.5 and 42 U.S.C. 15483 with the county voter registration office not later than the closing of the polls on election day.

SECTION 186. IC 3-11.7-5-3, AS ADDED BY P.L.126-2002, SECTION 87, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 3. (a) If the board determines that $\frac{1}{2}$ section $\frac{2}{2}$ sec. 3. (a) If the board determines that $\frac{2}{2}$ section $\frac{2}{2}$ sec. 3. (a) If the board determines that $\frac{2}{2}$ section $\frac{2}{2}$ sectio

- (1) The provisional ballot is invalid.
- (2) The provisional ballot may not be counted.
- (3) The provisional ballot envelope containing the ballots cast by the provisional voter may not be opened.
- (b) If the county election board determines that a provisional ballot is invalid, a notation shall be made on the provisional ballot envelope: "Provisional ballot determined invalid.".

SECTION 187. IC 3-11.7-5-8, AS ADDED BY P.L.126-2002, SECTION 87, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 8. (a) During the counting of the ballots, one (1) counter shall read the name of the candidates and ballot questions voted for from the ballots.

(b) A:

- (1) member of the county election board who is not a member of the same political party as the counter; or
- (2) representative designated by the member;

shall view the ballots as the names and ballot questions are read.

SECTION 188. IC 3-11.7-6-3 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 3. (a) As required by 42 U.S.C. 15482, a county election board shall establish a free access system such as a toll-free telephone number or an Internet website that enables a provisional voter to determine:

- (1) whether the individual's provisional ballot was counted; and
- (2) if the provisional ballot was not counted, the reason the provisional ballot was not counted.
- (b) As required by 42 U.S.C. 15482, the county election board shall establish and maintain reasonable procedures to protect the security, confidentiality, and integrity of personal information collected, stored, or otherwise used the free access system established by the board under subsection (a).
- (c) As required by 42 U.S.C. 15482, the county election board shall restrict access to the information available under subsection (a) about a provisional voter's ballot to the individual who cast the ballot.
- (d) The county election board shall prescribe written instructions to inform a provisional voter how the provisional voter can determine whether the provisional voter's ballot has been counted.

SECTION 189. IC 3-12-1-1.2 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 1.2. (a) This chapter is enacted to comply with 42 U.S.C. 15481 by establishing uniform and nondiscriminatory standards to define what will be counted as a vote on a paper ballot, optical scan voting system, or electronic voting system.

- (b) The standards in this chapter apply to counting votes on every voting system, except where specific standards applicable only:
 - (1) to a type of voting system are provided under IC 3-12-2, IC 3-12-3, or IC 3-12-3.5; and
 - (2) in a recount or contest proceeding are provided under IC 3-12-6, IC 3-12-8, IC 3-12-11, or IC 3-12-12.

SECTION 190. IC 3-12-2-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 1. (a) This chapter:

(1) is enacted to comply with 42 U.S.C. 15481 by establishing

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uniform and nondiscriminatory standards to define what will be counted as a vote on a paper ballot; and

- (2) applies to each precinct where voting is by paper ballot.
- (b) After the polls have closed, each precinct election board shall count the paper ballot votes for each candidate for each office and on each public question. The board shall begin by counting the state paper ballots and shall complete the count of the state paper ballots before counting the local paper ballots. The ballots shall be counted by laying each ballot upon a table in the order in which it is taken from the ballot box.
- (c) Notwithstanding subsection (b), the precinct election board may count absentee ballots before the polls have closed. If the precinct election board counts absentee ballots under this subsection, a member of the precinct election board may not, before the polls have closed, provide any person other than a member of the precinct election board with information concerning the number of votes:
 - (1) a candidate received for an office; or

 (2) cast to approve or reject a public question; on absentee ballots counted under this subsection.

SECTION 191. IC 3-12-2.5-10 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: **Sec. 10. This chapter expires January 1, 2006.**

SECTION 192. IC 3-12-3-1.1 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: **Sec. 1.1. This chapter is enacted to comply with 42 U.S.C. 15481 by establishing uniform and nondiscriminatory standards to define what will be counted as a vote on an optical scan voting system.**

SECTION 193. IC 3-12-3.5-1.1 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: **Sec. 1.1. This chapter is enacted to comply with 42 U.S.C. 15481 by establishing uniform and nondiscriminatory standards to define what will be counted as a vote on an electronic voting system.**

SECTION 194. IC 3-12-4-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 4. (a) Each county election board may employ clerical assistants if necessary for the proper canvassing and tabulating of the vote. However, no except as provided in subsection (d), not more than one-half (1/2) of the assistants employed by the board may be members of the same political party.

- (b) The county election board shall appoint the number of two (2) member write-in teams that are necessary to examine and count write-in votes cast on ballot card voting systems on election night. The county chairmen of the two (2) major political parties of a county shall each designate one (1) member of each write-in team. The write-in teams are considered employees of the county canvassing board and must meet the qualifications of canvassing board employees.
 - (c) Except as provided in subsection (d), a county election board

may not employ a person to assist with canvassing unless the person would be eligible to serve as a precinct election officer under IC 3-6-6-7.

- (d) The county election board may, by unanimous vote of the entire membership of the board, employ a student to assist the board under this section if the student is:
 - (1) enrolled at an institution of higher education (including a community college); and
 - (2) a registered voter of the county.

A student appointed under this subsection must serve the board in a nonpartisan manner.

SECTION 195. IC 3-12-4-5.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 5.5. This chapter is enacted to comply with 42 U.S.C. 15481 by establishing uniform and nondiscriminatory standards to define what will be counted as a vote on a paper ballot, an optical scan voting system, or an electronic voting system by a county election board.

SECTION 196. IC 3-12-5-1.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: **Sec. 1.5.** (a) This section applies to a statement required to be sent or delivered to the election division by a circuit court clerk under this chapter.

(b) A statement described in subsection (a) may be sent by using the computerized list established under IC 3-7-26.3. A statement sent under this section complies with any requirement for the statement to be certified or sealed.

SECTION 197. IC 3-12-6-1.2 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 1.2. This chapter is enacted to comply with 42 U.S.C. 15481 by establishing uniform and nondiscriminatory standards to define what will be counted as a vote on a paper ballot, an optical scan voting system, or an electronic voting system in a recount conducted under this chapter.

SECTION 198. IC 3-12-8-2.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: **Sec. 2.5.** (a) This section does not apply to a contest concerning whether a contestee was ineligible as alleged under section 2(1) of this chapter.

(b) This chapter is enacted to comply with 42 U.S.C. 15481 by establishing uniform and nondiscriminatory standards to define what will be counted as a vote on a paper ballot, an optical scan voting system, or an electronic voting system in a contest conducted under this chapter.

SECTION 199. IC 3-12-11-1.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 1.5. This chapter is enacted to comply with 42 U.S.C. 15481 by establishing uniform and nondiscriminatory standards to define what will be counted as a vote on a paper ballot, an optical scan voting system, or an

electronic voting system in a recount conducted under this chapter.

SECTION 200. IC 3-12-12-1.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 1.5. This chapter is enacted to comply with 42 U.S.C. 15481 by establishing uniform and nondiscriminatory standards to define what will be counted as a vote on a paper ballot, an optical scan voting system, or an electronic voting system in a recount conducted under this chapter.

SECTION 201. IC 3-14-2-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 6. A person who knowingly, intentionally, or recklessly releases or removes any registration materials or, after December 31, 2005, information contained in the computerized list maintained under IC 3-7-26.3 from the county voter registration office, of the circuit court clerk or board of registration, except when release or removal is necessary:

(1) to comply with IC 3-7; or

(2) for the destruction of the materials under IC 5-15-6; commits a Class A misdemeanor.

SECTION 202. IC 3-14-4-3.5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 3.5. (a) This subsection applies before January 1, 2006. A circuit court clerk, member of a board of registration, or county official, responsible for maintaining computerized voter registration information who recklessly fails to comply with IC 3-7-26 more than thirty (30) days after being required to perform a duty under IC 3-7-26 commits a Class B misdemeanor.

(b) This subsection applies after December 31, 2005. A circuit court clerk, a member of a board of registration, a county official, or another person responsible for maintaining computerized voter registration information who recklessly fails to comply with IC 3-7-26.3 more than thirty (30) days after being required to perform a duty under IC 3-7-26.3 commits a Class B misdemeanor.

SECTION 203. IC 3-14-6-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 1. (a) An officer or employee of the commission or a county voter registration officer or employee who grants a request for voter registration information under IC 3-7-26 or IC 3-7-27 with knowledge that the information will be used in a manner prohibited by IC 3-7-26 or IC 3-7-27 commits a Class B infraction.

- (b) An officer or employee of the commission who has previously received a judgment for committing an infraction under this section, and violates this section a second time shall be dismissed from the officer's or employee's position.
 - (c) This section expires January 1, 2006.

SECTION 204. IC 3-14-6-1.1 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: **Sec. 1.1.** (a) **This section applies after December 31, 2005.**

(b) A person who grants a request for voter registration information under IC 3-7-26.3 or IC 3-7-27 with knowledge that

the information will be used in a manner prohibited by IC 3-7-26.3 or IC 3-7-27 commits a Class B infraction.

(c) A person who has previously received a judgment for committing an infraction under this section and knowingly, intentionally, or recklessly violates this section a second time commits a Class D felony.

SECTION 205. IC 3-14-6-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 2. (a) This section does not apply to:

- (1) political activities; or
- (2) political fundraising activities.
- (b) A person who uses voter registration information obtained under IC 3-7-26 **or, after December 31, 2005, IC 3-7-26.3,** or IC 3-7-27 to solicit merchandise, goods, services, or subscriptions commits a Class B infraction.
 - (c) The court shall:

- (1) keep a record; and
- (2) send a copy of the record to the prosecuting attorney of the county in which the infraction proceeding was tried;
- of a judgment for an infraction proceeding tried under this section.
 - (d) A person who:
 - (1) has previously received a judgment for committing an infraction under this section; and
 - (2) knowingly or intentionally uses voter registration information in violation of this section;

commits a Class A misdemeanor.

SECTION 206. IC 5-26.5-2-5, AS ADDED BY P.L.273-2001, SECTION 3, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 5. A program participant who is otherwise qualified to vote may apply to vote in the same manner as an absent uniformed services voter under provided in IC 3-11-4-6.

SECTION 207. IC 9-24-2.5-12 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 12. As required under 42 U.S.C. 15483, the secretary of state and the commission shall enter into an agreement to match information in the computerized list established under IC 3-7-26.3 with information in the data base of the commission to enable the election division and the commission to verify the accuracy of the information provided on voter registration applications.

SECTION 208. IC 9-24-2.5-13 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 13. (a) As required under 42 U.S.C. 15483, the commission shall enter into an agreement with the Commissioner of Social Security under 42 U.S.C. 405(r)(8)(A) to verify information set forth on voter registration applications.

- (b) The information subject to verification under this section is the following:
 - (1) Whether the name (including the first name and any family forename or surname), date of birth (including month,

1 day, and vear), and Social Security number of an individual 2 provided to the Commissioner of Social Security match the 3 information contained in the Commissioner's records. 4 (2) Whether the individual is shown in the records of the 5 Commissioner of Social Security as deceased. (c) The agreement under subsection (b) must comply with 6 7 42 U.S.C. 15481 and IC 3-7-26.3. 8 SECTION 209. IC 11-8-2-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS 9 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 5. (a) The commissioner shall do the following: 10 (1) Organize the department, subject to approval by the board, 11 and employ personnel necessary to discharge the duties and 12 13 powers of the department. (2) Administer and supervise the department, including all state 14 owned or operated correctional facilities. 15 (3) Except for employees of the parole board, be the appointing 16 authority for all positions in the department within the scope of 17 IC 4-15-2 and define the duties of those positions in accord with 18 19 IC 4-15-2. (4) Define the duties of a deputy commissioner and a 20 21 superintendent. 22 (5) Accept committed persons for study, evaluation, classification, custody, care, training, and reintegration. 23 24 (6) Determine the capacity of all state owned or operated 25 correctional facilities and programs and keep all Indiana courts having criminal or juvenile jurisdiction informed, on a quarterly 26 27 basis, of the populations of those facilities and programs. (7) Utilize state owned or operated correctional facilities and 28 29 programs to accomplish the purposes of the department and acquire or establish, according to law, additional facilities and 30 programs whenever necessary to accomplish those purposes. 31 (8) Develop policies, programs, and services for committed 32 persons, for administration of facilities, and for conduct of 33 34 employees of the department. (9) Administer, according to law, the money or other property of 35 the department and the money or other property retained by the 36 department for committed persons. 37 (10) Keep an accurate and complete record of all department 38 proceedings, which includes the responsibility for the custody and 39 preservation of all papers and documents of the department. 40 (11) Make an annual report to the governor according to 41 42 subsection (c). 43 (12) Develop, collect, and maintain information concerning offenders, sentencing practices, and correctional treatment as he 44 considers useful in penological research or in developing 45 programs. 46 (13) Cooperate with and encourage public and private agencies 47 and other persons in the development and improvement of 48

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(14) Explain correctional programs and services to the public.

correctional facilities, programs, and services. and

(15) As required under 42 U.S.C. 15483, after January 1, 2006, provide information to the election division to

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coordinate the computerized list of voters maintained under 3 IC 3-7-26.3 with department records concerning individuals 4 5 disfranchised under IC 3-7-46. 6 (b) The commissioner may: 7 (1) when authorized by law, adopt departmental rules under IC 4-22-2, subject to approval by the board; 8 9 (2) delegate powers and duties conferred on him by law to a 10 deputy commissioner or commissioners and other employees of the department; 11 12 (3) issue warrants for the return of escaped committed persons (an employee of the department or any person authorized to execute 13 warrants may execute a warrant issued for the return of an 14 escaped person); and 15 (4) exercise any other power reasonably necessary in discharging 16 his duties and powers. 17 (c) The annual report of the department shall be transmitted to the 18 governor by September 1 of each year and must contain: 19 (1) a description of the operation of the department for the fiscal 20 year ending June 30; 21 (2) a description of the facilities and programs of the department; 22 (3) an evaluation of the adequacy and effectiveness of those 23 24 facilities and programs considering the number and needs of 25 committed persons or other persons receiving services; and (4) any other information required by law. 26 27 Recommendations for alteration, expansion, or discontinuance of 28 facilities or programs, for funding, or for statutory changes may be 29 included in the annual report. 30 SECTION 210. IC 12-28-1-12 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 12. Notwithstanding 31 IC 4-6-2, the commission has the following powers, duties, and 32 functions: 33 34 (1) Establish and maintain all necessary offices. (2) Subject to IC 4-15-2: 35 (A) appoint; 36 (B) fix the compensation for; and 37 (C) prescribe the duties of; 38 the attorneys, other employees, and agents the commission 39 considers necessary. 40 (3) Provide legal and other advocacy services throughout Indiana 41 to individuals or organizations on matters related to the protection 42 43 of the legal and human rights of developmentally disabled 44 individuals, mentally ill individuals, and individuals who are seeking or receiving vocational rehabilitation services. 45 (4) Enter into contractual relationships and sue and be sued in the 46 name of the services. 47 (5) Apply for, solicit, and accept contributions or grants of money, 48 property, or services made by gift, devise, bequest, grant, or other 49 means from any source that the commission considers best to 50

1 assist the services in performing its purpose. 2 (6) Provide information and referral services. 3 (7) Adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to do the following: (A) Establish and operate local protection and advocacy 4 5 service units. (B) Operate the service. 6 7 (C) Perform the commission's duties. 8 (8) Ensure full participation in the electoral process in individuals with disabilities, including registering to vote, 9 casting a vote, and accessing polling places, in accordance 10 with 42 U.S.C. 15461 through 15462. 11 12 SECTION 211. IC 16-19-3-19 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 19. (a) The state 13 department shall study the vital statistics and endeavor to make 14 intelligent and profitable use of the collected records of death and 15 sickness among the people. 16 (b) As required under 42 U.S.C. 15483, after January 1, 2006, 17 the department shall provide information to the election division 18 19 to coordinate the computerized list of voters maintained under 20 IC 3-7-26.3 with the department records concerning individuals 21 identified as deceased under IC 3-7-45. 22 SECTION 212. THE FOLLOWING ARE REPEALED [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: IC 3-7-26-20; IC 3-11-6.5-3; 23 24 IC 3-11-6.5-6; IC 3-11-6.5-7. 25 SECTION 213. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) The definitions in IC 3-5-2 apply throughout this SECTION. 26 27 (b) Not later than December 31, 2003, each county voter registration office shall identify each registered voter in the county 28 29 who: (1) registered by mail under IC 3-7-22 by submitting an 30 application after December 31, 2002; and 31 (2) would be required to provide personal identification under 32 42 U.S.C. 15483 before voting either in person or by mail at 33 34 an election conducted after December 31, 2003. (c) Not later than March 1, 2004, the county voter registration 35 office shall mail a notice to each voter identified in subsection (b). 36 37 The notice must: (1) inform the voter regarding the additional personal 38 39 identification required by federal law before the voter casts a ballot in person or by mail; and 40 (2) encourage the voter to submit photocopies of the required 41 documentation to the county voter registration office before 42 43 election day. 44 (d) Not later than July 1, 2003, the election division shall provide each county voter registration office with a sample notice 45 for purposes of mailings required under this SECTION. 46 47 (e) A county: 48 (1) may mail a notice to a voter under this SECTION at any 49 time after receiving the sample notice under subsection (d);

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(2) is not required to mail the notice to all voters described in subsection (b) as part of the same mailing.

(f) This SECTION expires December 31, 2004.

SECTION 214. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) The definitions in IC 3-5-2 apply throughout this SECTION.

- (b) Not later than July 1, 2003, the commission shall act under IC 3-11-4-5.1 to approve absentee ballot application forms that include a notice that certain voters who registered by mail are required to provide additional personal identification before voting an absentee ballot by mail.
- (c) Notwithstanding IC 3-5-4-8, an absentee ballot application form approved by the commission before December 31, 2003, that does not comply with subsection (b) may not be accepted for filing with a county election board after December 31, 2003.
 - (d) This SECTION expires December 31, 2004.

SECTION 215. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) The election division of the office of the secretary of state shall study the congressional recommendation set forth in Section 701 of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 that the single office in Indiana designated under IC 3-11-4-5.5 to provide absentee balloting and voter registration information to military and overseas voters also be authorized to accept valid voter registration applications, absentee ballot applications, and absentee ballots from all military and overseas voters who wish to register to vote or vote in Indiana.

- (b) The election division shall consult with circuit court clerks and county voter registration officers in conducting this study and shall publish a report containing the results of this study not later than June 1, 2004.
- (c) The election division shall submit the report to the census data advisory committee along with suggestions for additional legislation necessary to implement any recommendations contained in the report.
- (d) The election division shall consider incorporating the features described in subsection (a) into the statewide voter registration system established under IC 3-7-26.
 - (e) This SECTION expires January 2, 2005.

SECTION 216. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) Before January 1, 2004, the Indiana election commission shall act under IC 3-11-4-5.1 to make any revision required to the absentee ballot application form prescribed by the commission under that section to conform with the application with the standard oath prescribed for absent uniformed services voters and overseas voters under 42 U.S.C. 1973ff-1(b).

- (b) An absentee ballot application form approved by the commission before January 1, 2004, that does not comply with any requirement under 42 U.S.C. 1973ff-1(b) may not be used for any election conducted after December 31, 2003.
 - (c) This SECTION expires January 1, 2005.

SECTION 217. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) Before January 1, 2004, the Indiana election commission shall act under

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- IC 3-5-4-8 to make any revision required to the affidavit printed on the absentee ballot mailing envelope described by IC 3-11-4-21 to conform with the application with the standard oath prescribed for absent uniformed services voters and overseas voters under 42 U.S.C. 1973ff-1(b).
- (b) An absentee ballot mailing envelope approved by the commission before January 1, 2004, which does not comply with any requirement under 42 U.S.C. 1973ff-1(b) or IC 3-11-4-21 may not be used for any election conducted after December 31, 2003.
 - (c) This SECTION expires January 1, 2005.

SECTION 218. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) The definitions set forth in IC 3-5-2 apply to this SECTION.

- (b) Notwithstanding IC 3-5-4-8, a registration by mail form approved by the commission under IC 3-7-22 before January 1, 2003, may not be filed by an applicant or processed by a county voter registration office after December 31, 2003.
 - (c) The election division shall:

- (1) notify the offices and entities designated as mail-in registration form distribution sites under IC 3-7 or a county NVRA plan that the registration forms previously furnished to those offices and entities will be obsolete after December 31, 2003; and
- (2) provide each office or entity with mail-in registration forms that comply with IC 3-7-22, as amended by this act, not later than December 31, 2003.
- (d) The election division shall provide mail-in registration forms under subsection (c) in the quantity that the election division determines should be sufficient for the office or entity to supply voter registration applications to voters until December 31, 2004. In complying with this subsection, the election division shall attempt to reduce costs by publicizing the availability of a downloadable voter registration application on the election division's web site.
 - (e) This SECTION expires January 1, 2005.

SECTION 219. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) The secretary of state shall implement, in a uniform and nondiscriminatory manner, a single, uniform, official, centralized and interactive statewide voter registration list in accordance with the requirements set forth in 42 U.S.C. 15483 and IC 3-7-26.3, as added by this act.

- (b) Not later than January 1, 2004, the secretary of state may certify to the federal Election Assistance Commission under Section 303(d)(1)(B) of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 that the state will not meet the deadline of January 1, 2004, to establish a statewide voter registration system that complies with 42 U.S.C. 15483.
- (c) As required by Section 303(d)(1)(B) of the Help America Vote Act of 2002, the certification must state:
 - (1) that the inability of the state to meet this deadline is for good cause; and

1 (2) the reasons for the inability to meet the deadline. 2 (d) This SECTION expires January 1, 2006. 3 SECTION 220. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) This SECTION applies to a voter who has not been assigned a voter 4 5 identification number under IC 3-7-13-13. (b) Not later than January 1, 2006, the election division shall 6 7 assign a voter identification number to the voter's registration 8 record in the computerized list maintained under IC 3-7-26.3. The 9 number must be assigned in accordance with IC 3-7-13-13. 10 (c) This SECTION expires January 1, 2006. SECTION 221. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003] (a) As used in this 11 SECTION, "commission" refers to the Indiana protection and 12 13 advocacy services commission established by IC 12-28-1-6. 14 (b) All money received by the commission from the Secretary of 15 Health and Human Services under 42 U.S.C. 15461 through 15462 16 is appropriated beginning July 1, 2003, for activities permitted under 42 U.S.C. 15461 through 15462 and IC 12-28-1-12(8). 17 18 (c) This SECTION expires July 1, 2005. 19 SECTION 222. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) The 20 definitions set forth in IC 3-5-2 apply throughout this SECTION. (b) Not later than April 7, 2003, the governor, in consultation 21 22 and coordination with the secretary of state, shall notify the federal 23 Administrator of General Services that the state of Indiana intends 24 to use payments under Section 101 of HAVA (42 U.S.C. 15301) in 25 accordance with Section 101 of HAVA. (c) This section expires December 31, 2003. 26 27 SECTION 223. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) The definitions set forth in IC 3-5-2 apply throughout this SECTION. 28 (b) Not later than April 7, 2003, the governor, in consultation 29 and coordination with the secretary of state, shall give the notice 30 31 to the federal Administrator of General Services under Section 102(b) of HAVA (42 U.S.C. 15302) in accordance with Section 102 32 33 of HAVA. (c) This section expires December 31, 2003. 34 SECTION 224. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) The 35 definitions set forth in IC 3-5-2 apply to this SECTION. 36 37 (b) Subject to subsection (d), a voting machine system may not be used in an election in Indiana after December 31, 2003. 38 (c) Subject to subsection (e), a punch card voting system may 39 not be used in an election in Indiana after December 31, 2003. 40 (d) Notwithstanding subsection (b), a voting machine system 41 may be used in an election in Indiana after December 31, 2003, and 42 before January 1, 2006, if not later than December 31, 2003, the 43 secretary of state certifies to the federal Administrator of General 44 Services under Section 102(a)(3)(B) of HAVA (42 U.S.C. 15302) 45 46 that the state cannot replace all voting machine systems in Indiana before January 1, 2004. 47

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(e) Notwithstanding subsection (b), a punch card voting system

may be used in an election in Indiana after December 31, 2003, and

before January 1, 2006, if not later than December 31, 2003, the

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secretary of state certifies to the federal Administrator of General Services under Section 102(a)(3)(B) of HAVA (42 U.S.C. 15302) that the state cannot replace all punch card voting systems in Indiana before January 1, 2004.

(f) This SECTION expires January 1, 2006.

SECTION 225. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) The definitions set forth in IC 3-5-2 apply throughout this SECTION.

- (b) The census data advisory committee shall prepare legislation for introduction in the 2004 session of the Indiana general assembly to make appropriate amendments to Indiana statutes by removing references to voting machine systems and punch card voting systems.
 - (c) This SECTION expires January 1, 2006.

SECTION 226. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) The definitions set forth in IC 3-5-2 apply throughout this SECTION.

- (b) Not later than June 30, 2003, the secretary of state shall file a statement with the federal Election Assistance Commission.
- (c) The statement under subsection (b) must certify that the state is in compliance with the requirements referred to in section 253(b) of HAVA (42 U.S.C. 15403) and be in the form authorized by Section 253 of HAVA.
 - (d) This SECTION expires December 31, 2003.

SECTION 227. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003] (a) Each county election board shall determine, not later than December 31, 2003, whether the board will adopt an order authorizing the appointment of a precinct election officer under IC 3-6-6-39, as amended by this act.

- (b) An order adopted under this SECTION remains in effect until repealed by the unanimous vote of the entire membership of the county election board.
 - (c) This SECTION expires January 1, 2004.

SECTION 228. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) The definitions in IC 3-5-2, as amended by this act, apply throughout this SECTION.

- (b) Notwithstanding P.L. 291-2001, SECTION 38:
 - (1) the four million dollars (\$4,000,000) designated from the build Indiana fund for "Local Equipment Matching Grants"; and
 - (2) the five million dollars (\$5,000,000) designated from the build Indiana fund for "Local Election and Voter Registration Equipment";

are canceled.

- (c) Nine million dollars (\$9,000,000) is appropriated from the build Indiana fund to the election administration assistance fund established by IC 3-11-6.5-2, as amended by this act, for the period beginning July 1, 2003, and ending June 30, 2005.
- (d) The money appropriated by subsection (c) shall be allocated to the account within the election administration assistance fund established for the receipt of money appropriated by the general assembly. Four million dollars (\$4,000,000) of the amount

- appropriated by subsection (c) may be used for the reimbursement of counties under IC 3-11-6.5 that do not qualify for reimbursement of voting system purchases under HAVA. Five million dollars (\$5,000,000) of the amount appropriated by subsection (c) may be used for the implementation of a statewide voter registration system under IC 3-7-26.3, as added by this act, and to comply with the requirement for the appropriation of funds under Section 253(b)(5) of HAVA.
 - (e) If the funds appropriated under subsection (c) are insufficient to comply with the requirement for the appropriation of funds under Section 253(b)(5) of HAVA, there is appropriated from the state general fund money sufficient to comply with Section 253(b)(5) of HAVA.
- 14 (f) This SECTION expires July 1, 2005.

15 SECTION 229. An emergency is declared for this act.

(Reference is to SB 268 as introduced.)

and when so amended that said bill be reassigned to the Senate Committee on Elections and Civic Affairs.

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